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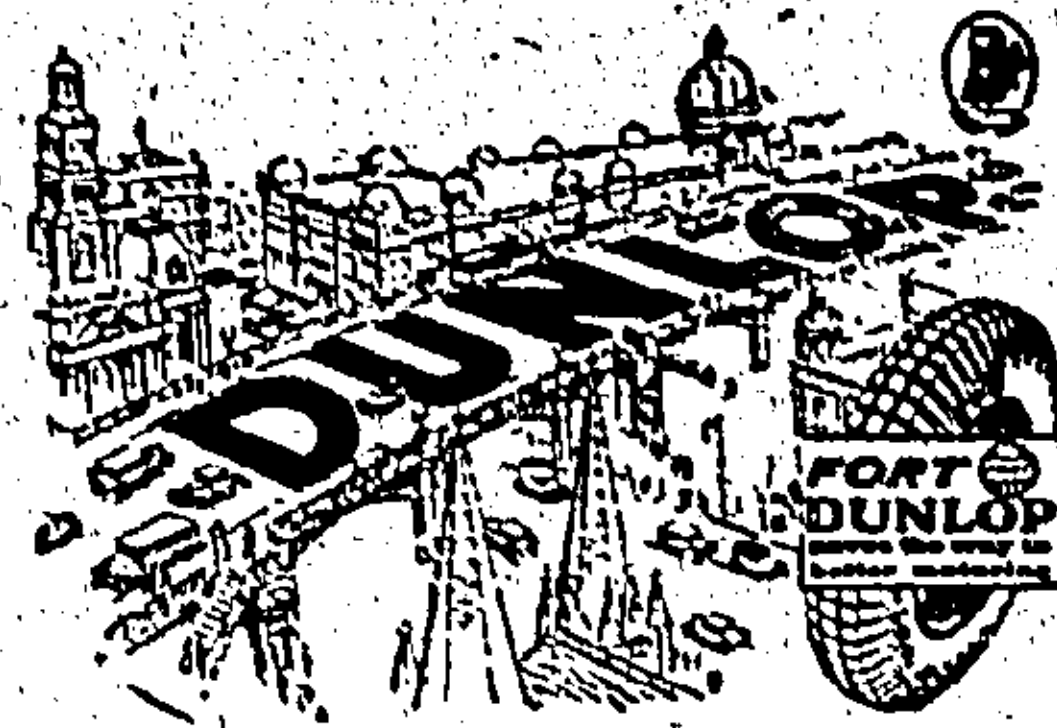
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GOVERNMENT JUST ESCAPES.

DEFEAT AVOIDED BY
THREE VOTES.

FOUR LIBERALS TURN THE
SCALES.

BUDGET AMENDMENT.

London, July 9.
By a margin of only three votes the Government to-night escaped defeat on a crucial division on the Liberal amendment to the Budget seeking relief from income tax for profits expended on plant and machinery. The announcement of the division was greeted with loud opposition cries of "Resign" countering the Labour cheers. The Government was actually saved by four Liberal votes.

The voting on the amendment was as follows:

Against	278
For	275
Majority	3

Unblushing Subsidy.

Mr. Lloyd George, the Liberal leader, emphasised that the Liberals had not the slightest desire to defeat the Government and he was doubtful whether the Conservatives were any more anxious, while, if anything could be done by co-operation that was what they were all seeking.

Mr. Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, opposed the motion and said it involved an unblushing subsidy, applying equally to the ice-cream vendor as an equipment factory at a cost of £30,000,000 a year.

Mr. Winston Churchill supported the amendment.—*Reuter.*

Left Wing Motion.

London, July 9.
The Left Wing Labourites have set down an amendment to Mr. Baldwin's vote of censure resolution which is shortly to come before the House of Commons. Mr. Baldwin's motion advocates safeguarding of the Home market, the expanding of exports by reciprocal trade agreements with the Empire overseas and the imposition of duties on foreign foodstuffs, devised to obtain equivalent advantages for British manufactures and agriculture in Empire markets and elsewhere.

The amendment to this motion tabled by the Left Wing Labourites expresses the view that in the existing depressing international conditions in agriculture, industry and trade, and the present patent inability to solve these problems, neither Free Trade nor Protection, whether in the shape of safeguarding or Empire Free Trade, offers hopes of a remedy.

Imports Board.

It therefore urges the Government to establish an Imports Board for the principal foodstuffs and raw materials for the protection of British agriculturists. In the second place it is advocated that British exports to the Dominions and elsewhere should be built up by reciprocal arrangements in connexion with bulk contracts.

Finally the amendment to the motion suggests that there should be national reorganisation of the importing and exporting machinery of Britain's staple trades, which should also deal with unfair competition.—*Reuter.*

BIG DEATHROLL IN EXPLOSION.

DISASTER AT A MINE IN
SILESIA.

Berlin, July 9.
Two hundred miners were entombed as a result of a coal gas explosion in a mine at Hausdorf in Silesia. Twenty bodies have been recovered up to the present, but it is feared that the deathroll will be heavier.—*Reuter.*

Sixty-seven bodies have been brought to the pit-head at Hausdorf, whilst fifty survivors are in hospital. Hopes are entertained of rescuing the remainder.—*Reuter.*

DEATH OF DOYEN OF CARDINALS.

DIGNITARY PASSES AWAY AT
AGE OF 93.

VINCENZO VANUTELLI.

Rome, July 9.
Cardinal Vannutelli, the doyen of Sacred College, died here this evening at the age of 93.—*Reuter.*
Vincenzo Vannutelli was the doyen of the Cardinals of the Roman church, both in age and in the length of time he had held that dignity. He was the youngest brother of the Cardinal Serafino Vannutelli who died in 1918. Vin-



cenzo was born at Genozzano in December 1836, and after studying theology in Rome he became a priest in 1860 and a year later a professor in the Vatican Seminary.

In 1863 he entered the Papal diplomatic service, his first posts being in Holland and Belgium. In 1875 he went to the State Secretariat in Rome and three years later became auditor of the Rota Romana.

Made Titular Archbishop of Sardes in 1880, he was sent to Lisbon as Nuncio in 1882 and elected a Cardinal in 1890. He then became head of various commissions and Prefect of the Consilium and of some of the Congregations.

In 1908 to 1914 he was Prefect of the Signatura, the highest court of the Vatican, and since 1914, had been Prefect of the Dataria. As Papal Legate at several Eucharistic Congresses (Tournai 1906, Metz 1907, London 1908, Cologne 1909 and Montreal 1910) he became very well known outside Italy.

In 1916 he gave up his Roman Ecclesiastical title of St. Sylvester in Capite in favour of the See of Ostia. As early as 1900 he had been appointed to the Bishopric of his native diocese Palestrina. He was also Archbishop of Santa Maria Maggiore.

THE DISARMAMENT PROBLEM.

GENERAL CONFERENCE TO
BE HELD.

London, July 9.
In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Arthur Henderson, replying to a question, said it was hoped that the meeting of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission fixed for November 3rd would prove a final meeting and that the League Council would therefore be able to suggest a date for the General Disarmament Conference.—*British Wireless.*

REGULATING SUGAR OUTPUT.

EUROPEAN SUGGESTION TO
BE STUDIED.

New York, July 9.
A conference of representatives of the American sugar industry and of Cuba and of Cuban sugar interests has appointed a committee to study the suggestion advanced by European and Javan producers for an international agreement to regulate output for the next five years.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HOW IRONSIDES MET DEFEAT.

CANTON GENERAL'S
BATTLE STORY.

ASSURANCE OF PEACE IN
KWANGTUNG.

PUBLIC DUBIOUS.

Canton, July 9.
General Chan Chai-tong, Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist Forces in Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hunan and Fukien, in an interview to Chinese pressmen gave a very graphic account of the terrific battle in which his force defeated General Chang Fat-kwei's Ironsides and the Kwangsi rebels at Hen Yang in Hunan recently.

The battle commenced on the 24th June and continued until the Nationalist forces finally secured a decisive victory on the 2nd July.

General Chan Chai-tong claims by this victory to have saved the Nationalist forces, at present engaged in defending Lung-hai front, from being attacked in the rear by General Chan Fat-kwei.

Heavy Losses.

During the battle at Hen Yang, the losses on both sides were heavy, but General Chan Chai-tong claims to have practically annihilated the rebels, the remnants having been put to flight in a southerly direction over the Kwangsi frontier. It is in order to catch up with these remnants of the rebel troops that General Chan Chai-tong is transferring his armies to Wuchow on the Kwangtung-Kwangsi frontier.

The battle at Hen Yang commenced with an offensive by the Ironsides on the 24th June and it would seem from statements attributed to General Chan Chai-tong that during the first few days the rebel troops met with a fair amount of success. It was only on the 28th June, when a large part of the 4th Route Army (Hunan Provincial Forces) came up unexpectedly to reinforce the 8th Route Army (Kwangtung Provincial forces), that the tide turned and the Nationalist forces commenced a very strong counter-offensive. On the 2nd July, Chi-yang in Hunan was captured by the Nationalist forces, General Shen Kwong-hon in command of the 60th Division capturing the city and at the same time securing a large number of prisoners.

Enemy's Casualties.

According to General Chai Chai-tong, the total number of casualties suffered by the enemy amount to about 12,000, including killed, wounded and prisoners. Two divisional Commanders of the enemy are reported killed, these being Commander Liang Chung-hsi and Commander Yang Teng-fel.

The Nationalists also suffered considerable losses, amongst those killed in the battle being Brigadier-General Chang Sai-tak, Commander of the 9th Brigade of the 8th Route Army, Captain Ho Wal of the 1st Battalion of the 63rd Division and Captain Chan Shiu-shao of the 2nd Battalion of that Division.

Public Doubtful.

Both General Chan Chai-tong and General Chan Ming-shu, Civil Governor of Kwangtung, in speeches made here recently, assure the people of Canton that there is absolutely no cause for anxiety and that peace in the Province of Kwangtung is a certainty for many months to come, the complete disappearance of the Ironsides and Kwangsi rebels now only being a matter of a few weeks.

Nevertheless, the people of Canton are manifesting some anxiety, which, if the news of the utter defeat of the rebels at Hen Yang is true, should be unwarranted. However, great victories and assurances of the annihilation of the rebels have been so frequently reported that the public seems to be becoming somewhat dubious.

Craft Commandeered.

Arrivals of cargo from the interior have been suspended owing to the fact that all the junks used for carrying cargo from up-country to Canton have been commandeered to transport troops from here to Wuchow.

This situation however is not likely seriously to hinder business, as it is expected that as soon as the troops have reached their destination all junks and boats will be returned to their owners and arrivals from the interior will be resumed.

SENSATIONAL WIN BY CAMBRIDGE.

OXFORD BEATEN WHEN DRAW
SEEMED CERTAIN.

THRILLS AT LORD'S.

London, July 9.
Amid scenes of uproarious undergraduate excitement, Cambridge snatched a sensational victory at Lord's to-day when a draw seemed inevitable in the match with Oxford.

Cambridge declared their second innings at tea time when there were less than two hours left to play. Their bowlers, however, gradually effected the complete rout of the Oxonians, and, claiming the privilege of an extra half hour, won handsomely by 205 runs.

Cambridge batted first and took their score to 288. Kemp-Welch and Killick made good stands and the former scored 61 and the latter 75 before being defeated. Peebles of Oxford was responsible for the downfall of seven batsmen, his average being seven for 75.

Oxford went in, however, to get a substantial lead over Cambridge. They compiled 314 in the first innings, Moore making 59, Ford 53 and Garland-Wells 53.

At their second visit to the wicket Cambridge knocked up a total of 332 for nine. This was the score at tea time and the captain declared in the hope of forcing a win. Killick had done the greater part of the scoring in Cambridge's second knock and compiled 135 before his wicket was taken. Reebles took six for 162.

Cambridge succeeded in their tactics and got Oxford out for the poor total of 101, scoring a victory by 205 runs. Hazellrigg was largely responsible for Oxford's second innings' collapse, taking four wickets for 17 runs.—*Reuter.*

TWO MOTORING MISHAPS.

WOMAN DIES IN HOSPITAL
FROM INJURIES.

A Chinese woman named Li Yee, 50 years of age, living at 372, Shanghai Street, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to the thighs and lower part of the body, as a result of having been crushed between a motor lorry and a pile of bricks, against the wall of Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon.

It appears that the wheel of the lorry got embedded in a hole in the ground, causing it to tilt over, crushing the woman who happened to be passing by. She died soon after admission to hospital.

A Chinese named Lan Chuen, (30), living in Sai Street, was yesterday sent to Kowloon Hospital suffering injuries to his back, and also shock, as a result of having been knocked down by a car on the main road near Tai Po Kau. The car was being driven by Mr. A. F. Brennan, of 12 Humphreys Building, Kowloon.

PLANE PRESENTED TO BACKER.

KINGSFORD-SMITH GIVES UP
"SOUTHERN CROSS."

Santa Maria (Cal.), July 9.
Wing Commander Kingsford-Smith has arrived here in the "Southern Cross" which has been presented to his Pacific backer, Mr. Gallen Hancock.

The "Southern Cross" will be exhibited at the Aviation College and subsequently at the Museum.—*Reuter's American Service.*

turned to their owners and arrivals from the interior will be resumed.

Mr. Au Fong-po, the Mayor of Swatow, is at present on a visit to Canton. For some time past he has been acting as Director of the Political Training Department to coach the troops in the principals of the Kuomintang.

A number of gunboats of the 4th Naval Squadron, (Kwangtung Provincial Fleet), left here on Monday for Wuchow.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

THE TROUBLES IN INDO-CHINA.

SUCCINCT ANALYSIS
OF ISSUES.

FACTORS WHICH LEAD TO
REVOLUTION.

UNDERLYING CAUSES.

"The chiefs of the Annamite Nationalist Party find in the entente with the leaders of the Annamite Communist Party their technical advisers for the direction of propaganda and operations, in exploiting amongst the upper and lower classes that which can furnish a motive for unpleasantness and irritation. In Young Annam, amongst the sons of an opulent bourgeoisie, educated in France, the revolutionary societies find their directors, followed by the young peasants who obey their excitations, holding to less account the benefits carried to their country by France than the causes of discontentment which could not yet be entirely suppressed."

In these words, a special envoy of the *Petit Parisien* sums up the situation in Indo-China after that journal had sent him out to the East as an impartial observer to study the facts underlying the present movement against French rule.

Off the Beaten Path.

To do this, M. Louis Roubaud, accredited special correspondent of the *Petit Parisien*, on his arrival, left the beaten path, and, untrammelled by Colonial or Governmental interests, ventured into the unexplored recesses of the native political jungle. His views on the decaying system of the mandarin, with its dual form of Government exercised through the intermediary of French Residents, which is still preserved, for the sake of political etiquette, in those provinces of the Union coming within the definition of "Protectorates," are illuminating as showing one possible cause for reform; while his remarks, written with unusual frankness, on the brutalities of some of the taskmasters on plantations, fields and concessions, should excite perturbation amongst local officials and at the same time startle many people who can hardly believe that such things are possible to-day.

M. Roubaud pays a handsome tribute to constructional works the Colonial Government has been able to carry out in the wilderness of the country, diffusing its natural resources and bringing the less accessible regions into easy communication with one another. Humanitarian works, such as the building of hospitals and clinics, are also fully taken into account by M. Roubaud, who next proceeds to analyse certain conditions as he found them to have been the natural effects of these reforms:

Causes Analysed.

"The present discontentment," he says, "originates first of all, from our own beneficial work. The richness (i.e. the natural productivity of the country) if it has benefited metropolitan France but little, has been gathered in the first instance by the French people in the country, the planters or settlers, and also by numerous natives indigenous to the soil. There are in the three Annamite provinces, particularly in Cochinchina, natives possessing enormous fortunes, with the result that there has been formed, between the peasants and the mandarins of the old regime, a new intermediate class—a bourgeoisie.

"Naturally, this rich bourgeoisie, if they are not well educated themselves, send their children to be educated at the French University at Hanoi or at the University of Paris. These young people have neglected their native classics in favour of Greek or Latin, not knowing even how to read the inscriptions on the tombs of their ancestors, and they now form a sort of intellectual half-breeds who find themselves de-nationalised by their own soil."

"This 'Young Annam' has not known and experienced the epoch of tyranny under the old mandarin, of civil disorders."

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BABE RUTH UNDER SUSPENSION.

DISAGREES WITH DECISION
OF AN UMPIRE.

RECORD UNAFFECTED.

New York, July 9.
Babe Ruth, the famous player for the New York Yankees, has been suspended for three days for angrily challenging an umpire's decision giving a member of the Yankee team out.

The suspension is not likely to affect Ruth's record as he has already collected thirty-two home runs. This is fourteen above any previous total at July 9.



The following are the results of the matches played in the National and American Leagues to-day:

National.		American.	
Brooklyn	8 Boston	12 Philadelphia	6
Brooklyn	6 Boston	2 Washington	1
Philadelphia	5 New York	5 Washington	5
Cincinnati	4 Chicago	9 St. Louis	5
St. Louis	7 Pittsburgh	1 Detroit	6

Reuter's American Service.

SERIOUS RIOTING IN RHINELAND.

SEVERE EXCESSES AGAINST
SEPARATISTS.

Cologne, July 9.
An alarming development has occurred involving rioting in the recently evacuated Rhineland districts. It is ostensibly aimed at the supporters of the former Rhineland Separatists' movement, though there are several cases of private revenge, in which severe excesses have been committed, at Treves, which is in a state of siege. The police are armed with rifles and tear-gas grenades whilst the streets are barricaded. Nevertheless many Separatists' premises have been sacked. Reinforcements are being called up to be sent to Treves and also to Mainz, Wiesbaden and elsewhere.—*Reuter.*

TO-MORROW'S RADIO CONCERT.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME
FROM ZBW.

Two of the artists who took part in the concert inaugurating studio transmissions from the Government Broadcasting Station ZBW last October are included in the studio concert which is to be broadcast to-morrow night at 9 p.m.

The two artists are Mr. Li Chor-chi and Mr. Dick Party. In addition the programme will include items by Miss Nellie Fields, who has never broadcast in Hongkong, but appeared before the microphone in Shanghai a year or two ago. Selections will also be given by Mr. Rosario's string quartette.

PERSIA TO BUILD NEW CITY.

TO BE NAMED AFTER THE
CROWN PRINCE.

Teheran, July 9.
Parliament has agreed to build a new city of a million square metres in extent around Ahrenjam, near Salmas. The new town is to be named Shahpoor, after the Crown Prince.—*Reuter.*

SINGAPORE BASE FUTURE.

CONSULTATION WITH
DOMINIONS.

ALL SUBSIDIARY CONTRACTS
IN SUSPENSE.

TOTAL MONEY SPENT.

London, July 9.
In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, answered a number of questions in regard to the Singapore Naval Base, in the course of which he stated that the Dominions would be consulted on the future of the Base at the forthcoming Imperial Conference.

Replying to questioners, Mr. Alexander stated that a sum of £2,577,000 had been spent on the Singapore Dock, whilst the total estimated expenditure was £8,721,000.

Overseas' Contributions.

The contributions received by the Admiralty from the Dominions and the Colonies totalled £1,672,000, all of which had been applied in naval expenditure.

These figures, said Mr. Alexander, related to Navy funds only, and did not cover expenditure on appropriations in-aid from the Army or Air Force votes.

Consulting Dominions.

The main contract would be completed towards the end of 1935, and a further two years would be required to complete various works. These dates were subject to any decision arrived at as the result of a review of the Government's policy which would be undertaken in consultation with the overseas Governments concerned.

Mr. Alexander added that the consultations with the Dominions would occur at the forthcoming Imperial Conference. Meanwhile, all contracts had been suspended except the main contractors' contract.

Air Force Expenditure.

Questioned on the same subject, Mr. F. Montague, Under Secretary for the Air Ministry, stated that £358,000 had so far been spent on Air Force works at Singapore.

He added that the strength of the Air Force, normally stationed at Singapore would be one squadron each of flying-boats and aeroplanes. The expenditure on the air base was, he said, still being continued.—*Reuter.*

Additional Navy Vote.

London, July 9.
A supplementary Naval Estimate of £208,000 has been issued, mostly to meet the cost during the current financial year of three submarines of the 1929 programme, the construction of which had been deferred pending the conclusion of the London Naval Conference.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, in a memorandum explaining the Government's reasons for the addition of twenty vessels to the Navy, announced in the House of Commons on June 25, says that in consequence of severe cuts in the naval programmes prior to the London Naval Conference, the replacement of cruisers, destroyers and submarines cannot further be delayed.

Steady Replacement.

In order to maintain the figure of fifty cruisers accepted as meeting the requirements of the British Empire, the building of twenty-seven cruisers must be spread over the 1930-6 programme.

The Government proposes to adopt a steady replacement programme of destroyers, and to lay down only one flotilla in 1930. It is proposed to construct about three submarines yearly, in accordance with treaty limitations.—*Reuter.*

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THE HUNG TAK BANK MURDER CASE.

The magisterial hearing of the Hung Tak Bank murder case was concluded at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, when Mr. Lindsell ordered the accused Li Man-poo, to stand his trial at the next Sessions at the Supreme Court.

The evidence of the two police officers, Sergeant Johnson and Detective Sergeant Flattery, was taken, as was also the evidence of the detective officer who took down the accused's statement.

Sergeant Johnson described the scene which presented itself when he went to make investigations. He said that he had the bodies removed to the mortuary.

Detective Sergeant Flattery corroborated this evidence, but said that he noticed pools of blood all over the place. He also found a box belonging to the accused, which contained \$3.40 in Hongkong and Chinese money, and also his clothes and two tins of biscuits. He received four choppers from a constable. Two of them were bloodstained.

Fung Yui-tong, the detective officer then produced the statement of the accused. It was as follows:—"I myself absolutely know nothing. I had no grudge whatever against him, (referring to the murdered man Fung Sik-chuk). As regards killing him, I know nothing. I did not murder him intentionally. I know nothing about this matter."

Accused's Story.

The accused said that he wanted to come to Hongkong to look for work, but he met a man in the country, who promised to get him a job in Hongkong, for over \$10 a month. When he came to Hongkong, his friend said that there was no job at the time. After remaining in Hongkong for three days, accused thought of returning to the country. He met Lei Lei-ki, who asked him to remain for two days more. After the two days had elapsed he went to the residence of Ching Tai-chi, who said that he had no job to offer accused, but would take the accused's address down. Ching Tai-chi, however, asked accused to come to the Bank the next day, and then persuaded accused to remain a few days longer.

Two days later as no job had yet been found for him, accused decided to leave, and went on board the steamer Wong Fuk Chun, but as it was too early to embark, the police turned him off the steamer. He then went on board the Sing Lung Hoi, but as all the passengers were strangers to him, he returned to the wharf, and went to the Bank again.

He was feeling unwell and slept at the Bank. He was just half awake and half unconscious, when he felt somebody lifting him up by the hand, and felt his throat being cut with a knife after which his assailant ran away.

Accused recovered consciousness a short time later, and went upstairs to look for the assailant. Accused opened a box to get some medicine powder, but not finding anything fainter again. On recovery, he noticed a light on the third floor, and went up to see why it was there. He saw Lan Yik-tin collecting several choppers, and fearing that he might cut him, he attempted to snatch the choppers out of his hand. Lan Yik-tin ran down to the second floor, and he followed, but fainter again.

On the Magistrate asking him if he had any witnesses, he replied in the negative.

A boy of 16 pluckily rescued another boy from drowning in the New River, Stoke Newington, and then slipped away quietly in his wet clothes. The rescued boy, who was about eight, fell into the river while looking for fish. His rescuer heard his cries from a bridge nearby and, throwing off his coat and boots, climbed the railings and dived in. A man who saw the incident gave the rescuer 2s. and then the lad disappeared.



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INCREASED TAXATION AND HIGHER POSTAGE.

Canberra, July 9.
Mr. Scullin, in a Budget statement to-day, disclosed a shortage of revenue of \$14,038,000 for the current financial year.

He announced that new taxation would produce £12,550,000 including primage duty of two and a half per cent. on all imports; increases

in the Customs duties of threepence a gallon on petrol, sixpence a pound on tobacco, a shilling a pound on cigarettes, half a sovereign a pound on cigars, a penny a foot on films, and a pound sterling a ton on newsprint.

Excise increases would be two-pence a gallon on beer, threepence a gallon on petrol, and threepence a pound on cigarettes.

Sales would be taxed, except certain Australian primary products, foodstuffs et cetera.

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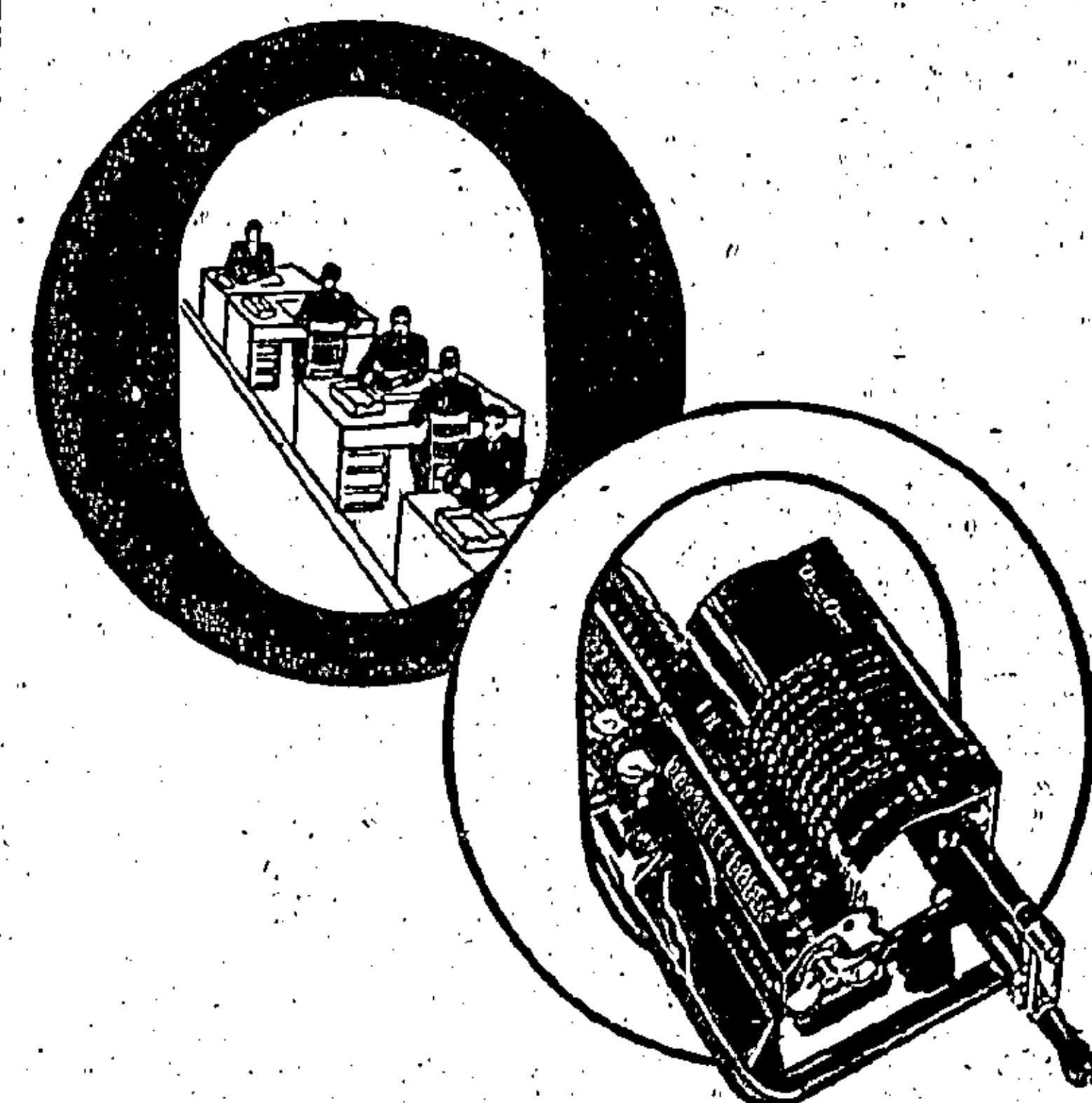
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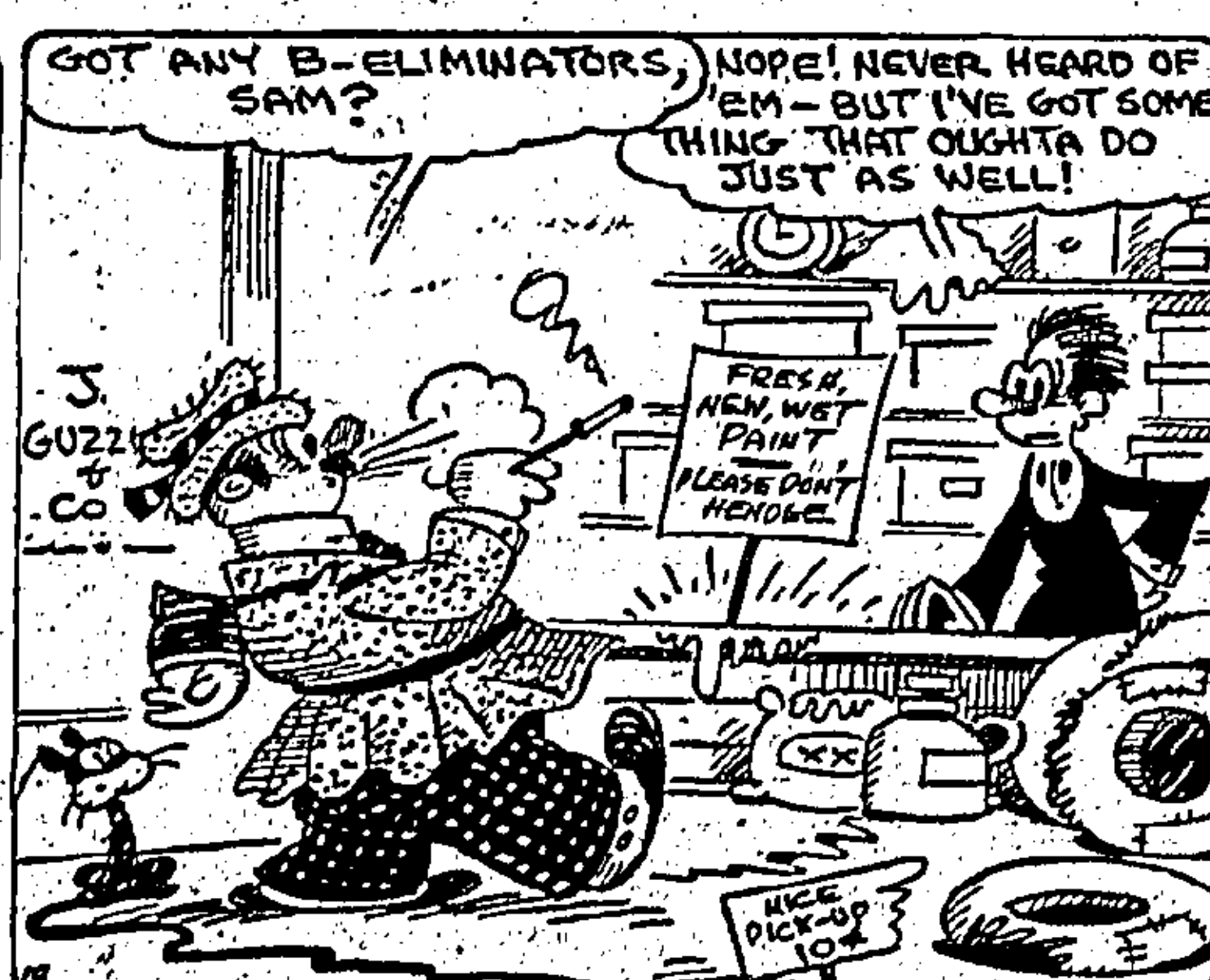
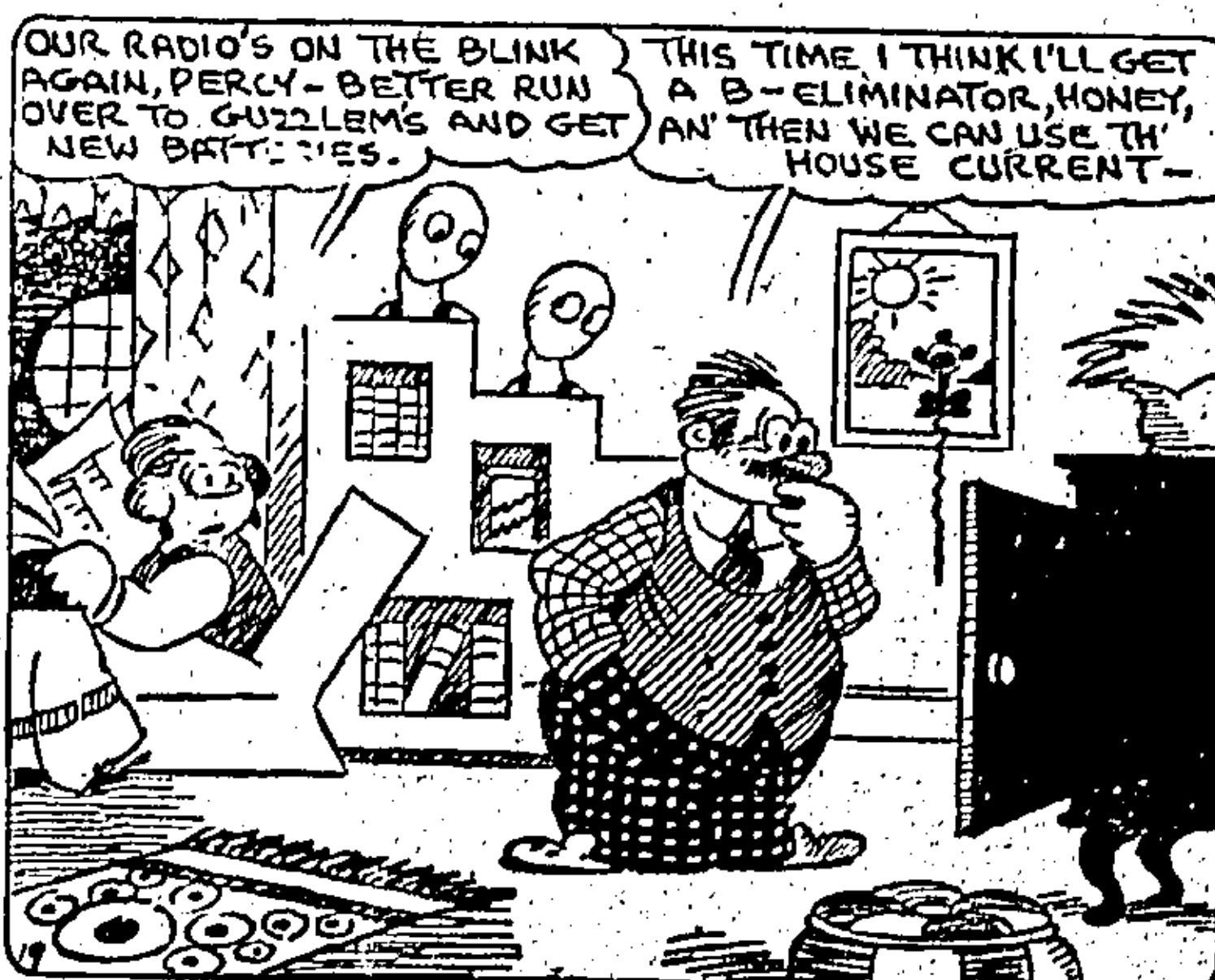


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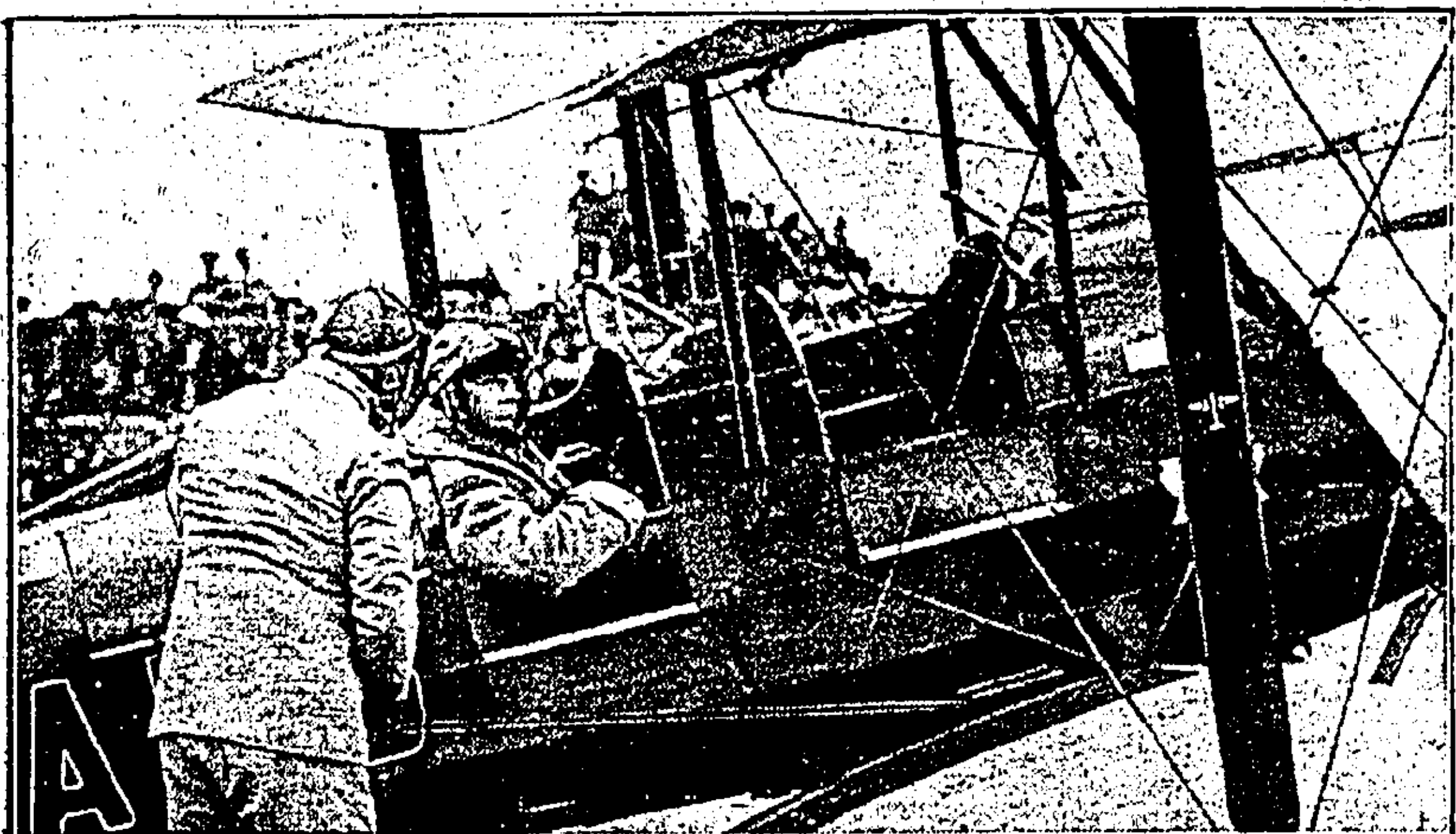
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A farewell dinner was given by the Shanghai American Troop (Lewis Gun Section), Lieut. F. W. Schlobohm, commanding, to Sergeant F. S. William and Gunner L. O. Chamberlain who are shortly leaving the city. The principal guests of the evening were Major C. P. Holcomb and Captain H. D. Rodger.



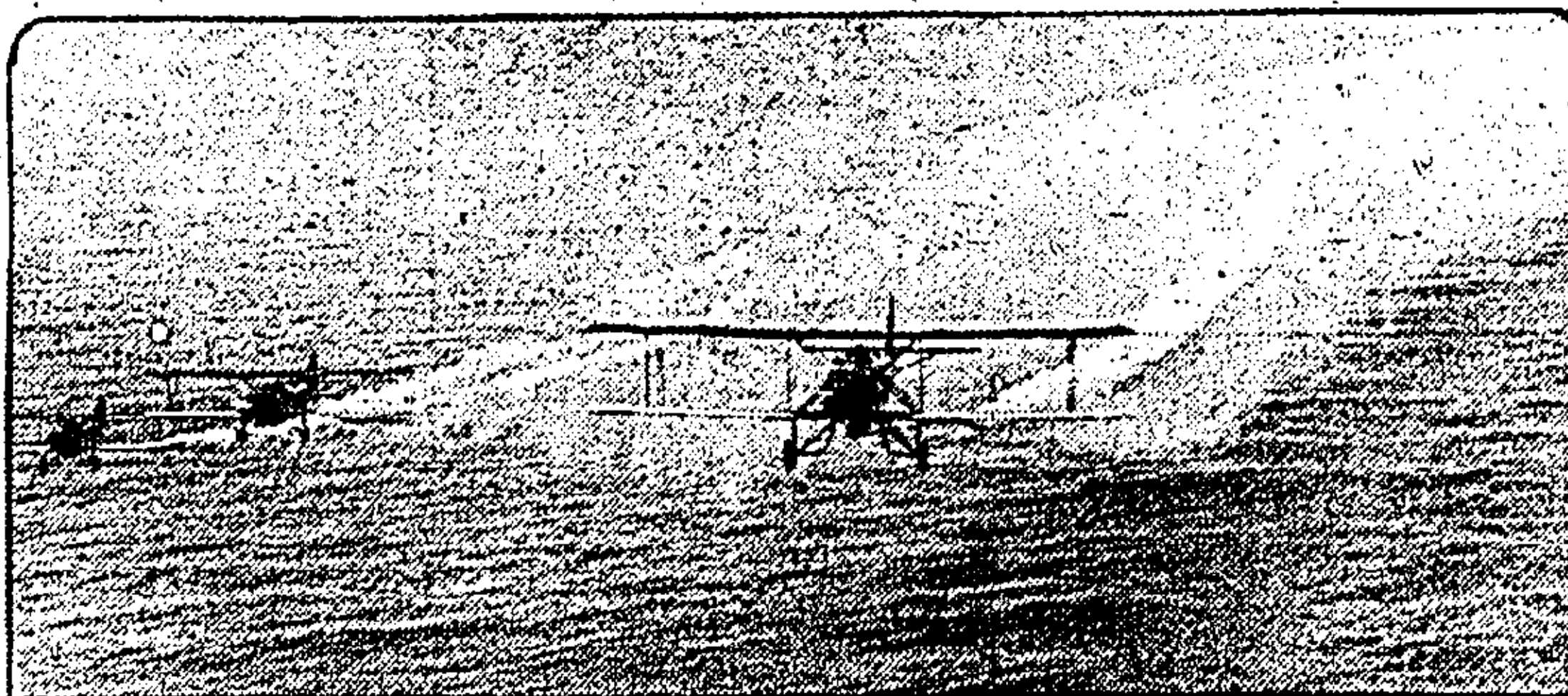
H. R. H. The Prince of Wales landing at Haldon Aerodrome, near Teignmouth, when he visited the Bath and West Society's Show at Torquay. (Times copyright).



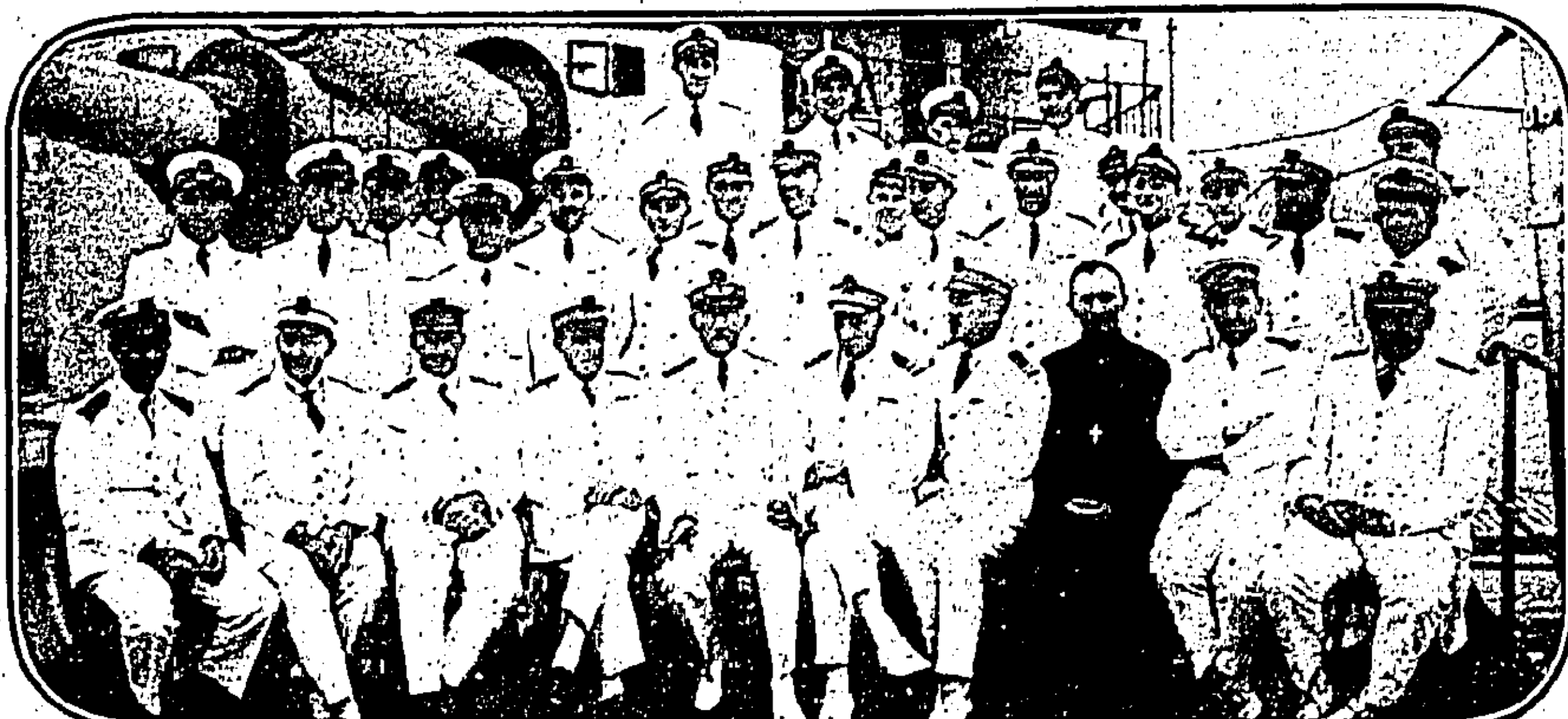
The triennial ceremony of Beating the Bounds was carried out at the Tower of London recently. (Times copyright).



The new speed boat, driven by Sir Henry Segrave, under her own power after her launch on Lake Windermere. Sir Henry was killed while breaking the record. (Times copyright).



Here is part of the thrilling aerial pageant witnessed by President Hoover when he reviewed naval manoeuvres off the Virginia Capes. Above you see swift navy pursuit planes laying down a heavy smoke screen for the protection of destroyers.



The newest photograph of the Commander-in-Chief of the French Far Eastern Squadron, Admiral Mouget, and officers, aboard the flagship Waldeck Rousseau.

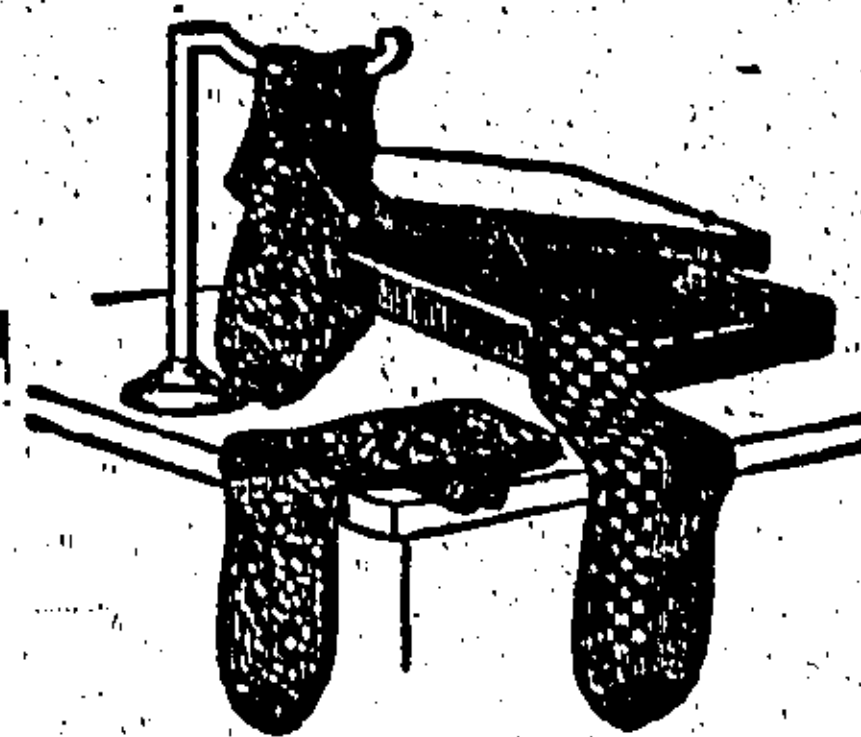


Mr. Percy E. Bradstock's Herford Bull, Free Town Admiral, winner of a championship at the Bath and West and Southern Counties Society Show held at Torquay. (Times copyright).



One of the most charming children's plays of the season was given at the Shanghai Cathedral School for Girls in Yates Road with the production of "A Midsummer's Day." The operetta deals with the awakening of the flowers on a summer's day and affords the opportunity for effective costuming.

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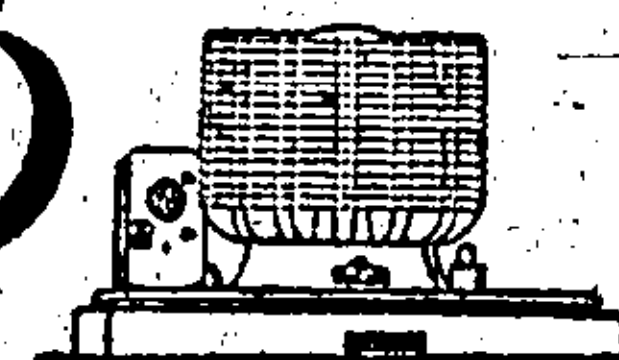
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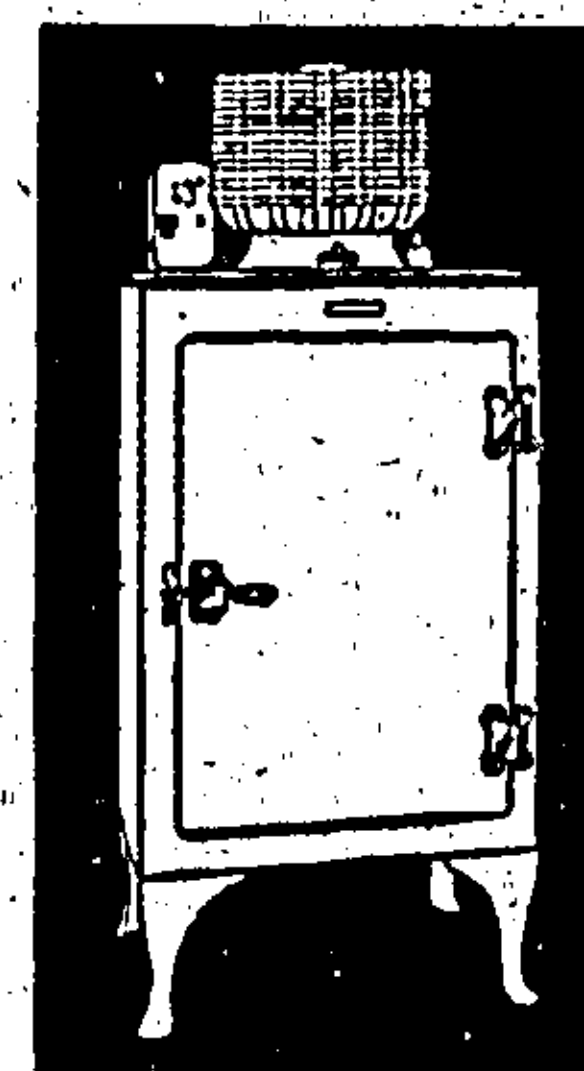
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THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 28th July, to SATURDAY, 9th August (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the

Board of Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN,

Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1930.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company Limited will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of JULY, 1930 in the Company's Board Room, ALEXANDRA BUILDING, HONGKONG at 12 O'CLOCK NOON for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions:—

1 That the Capital of the China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company Limited be increased from \$3,000,000 to \$4,500,000 by the creation of 300,000 Shares of \$5.00 each and that the 300,000 Shares of \$5.00 each shall each rank for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing Shares of the Company.

2 That in the event of the above Resolution being passed, 294,789 Shares shall be issued and offered in the first instance by the Directors at par to existing Shareholders on the Register of the Company as at the 16th day of July, 1930 rateably in the proportion of ONE share for every TWO shares held by such Shareholders, and in the event of any of the said 294,789 Shares not being taken up by the Shareholders within the time stipulated by the Directors, the Board shall be empowered to allot them or dispose of them as they in their discretion deem expedient in the interest of the Company.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 7th day of July, 1930 to WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of JULY, 1930, both days inclusive.

Dated this Twenty-sixth day of June 1930.

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provinces. A considerable number

of them, however, are back

in the cinemas again, and now

that the film-going public is definitely

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wood, secretary of the London Or-

chestra Society, to a reporter

"having got over the novelty of

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tainment. They can have tinned

music in their own homes."

Mr. Julian Wyle, the revue pro-

ducer, said to a reporter:

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boomed that it is a physical im-

possibility for the supply of suit-

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TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local

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Hongkong Bank, \$1510 b.

Chartered Bank, \$171 b.

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"Faust"—Selection. Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards. (C1877).

You, You Alone. For You. John Boles (Tenor). (22373).

Mississippi Suite. (A Tone Journey). (35859).

Paul Whiteman and His Concert Orchestra.

A Chip of the Old Block. So I Left. Peter Dawson. (B3378).

Sincerity-Waltz. Wedding of the Winds-Waltz. La Vittoria Orchestra. (85912).

Just As We Used to Do. Dream Lover. Edward O'Henry. (B3428).

Anchora Awake-March. United States.

Navy Band. (21298).

Faust-The Jewel Song. The King of Thule.

Ellisabeth Rathberg (Soprano). (7179).

Oh, How I Weary, Dearie, For You. That's the Reason Yoo I Weary.

Kilt. Sir Harry Lauder. (D1493).

The Skaters-Waltz. Estudiantina-Waltz. International Concert Orchestra. (85798).

A Little Love, A Little Kiss. The Clatter of the Clogs.

Gracie Fields (Comedienne). (B3415).

I've Regretted. Check and Double Check.

Amos 'n' Andy (Humorous). (22393).

Balero. Boston Symphony Orchestra. (7251).

Gymnopedie No. 1. Now I'm in Love.

Reginald Foort (Cinema Organ).

Sylvan Scenes. H. Vincent Collier. (Cinema Organ). (B3361).

The Flower of Italy-Waltz. Rosette-Waltz. Ross Band. (35837).

8.00-10.30 p.m. Chinese record programme.

Mr. Clement Web, Oriel Professor of the Philosophy of the Christian Religion at Oxford, is to retire at the end of the present year to have more time for his literary work.

Professor Webb, in addition to his important works on the general philosophical aspect of religion, is one of the very few scholars outside the Roman communion who write with authority on the scholastic philosophy. He has made a special study of John of Salisbury.

Where time takes no toll

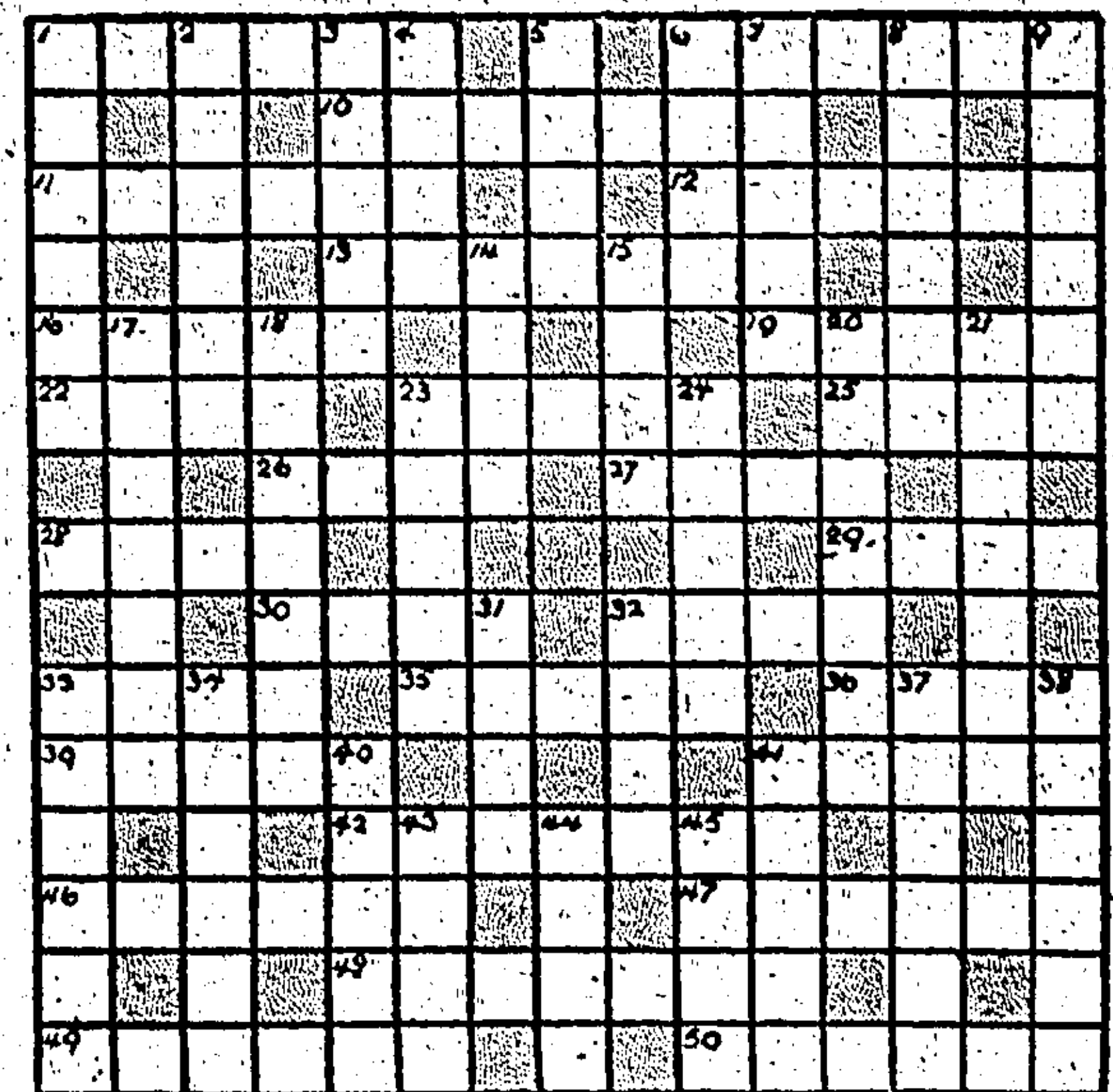
The difference between youth and age has never been less marked than it is in the woman of to-day. Women let the years pass, graciously and ungrudgingly, for life no longer demands of them a diminution of work or play with advent of their fortieth summer. Among the dancers in the smartest clubs and restaurants are many women whose light feet belie their age. Beautifully gowned, hair fashionably dressed, eyes bright, complexions radiant, they can expect admiration in any gathering. It is one of the consolations of modern life that youth is no longer measured by years.

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29 Whip.
30 Every.
32 Chop into small pieces.
33 Observes.
35 Mean abode.
36 Once.
39 Bond.
41 Got up.
42 Gallinaceous birds.
46 Paleness.
47 Conqueror.
48 Robbed on the high seas.
49 Spotted.
50 Tender.

Down
9 Listen.
14 Stop.
15 Dregs.
17 Kind of vessel.
18 Remedy.
20 Atmospheric conditions.
21 Lower.
23 Seize.
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31 Jumps.
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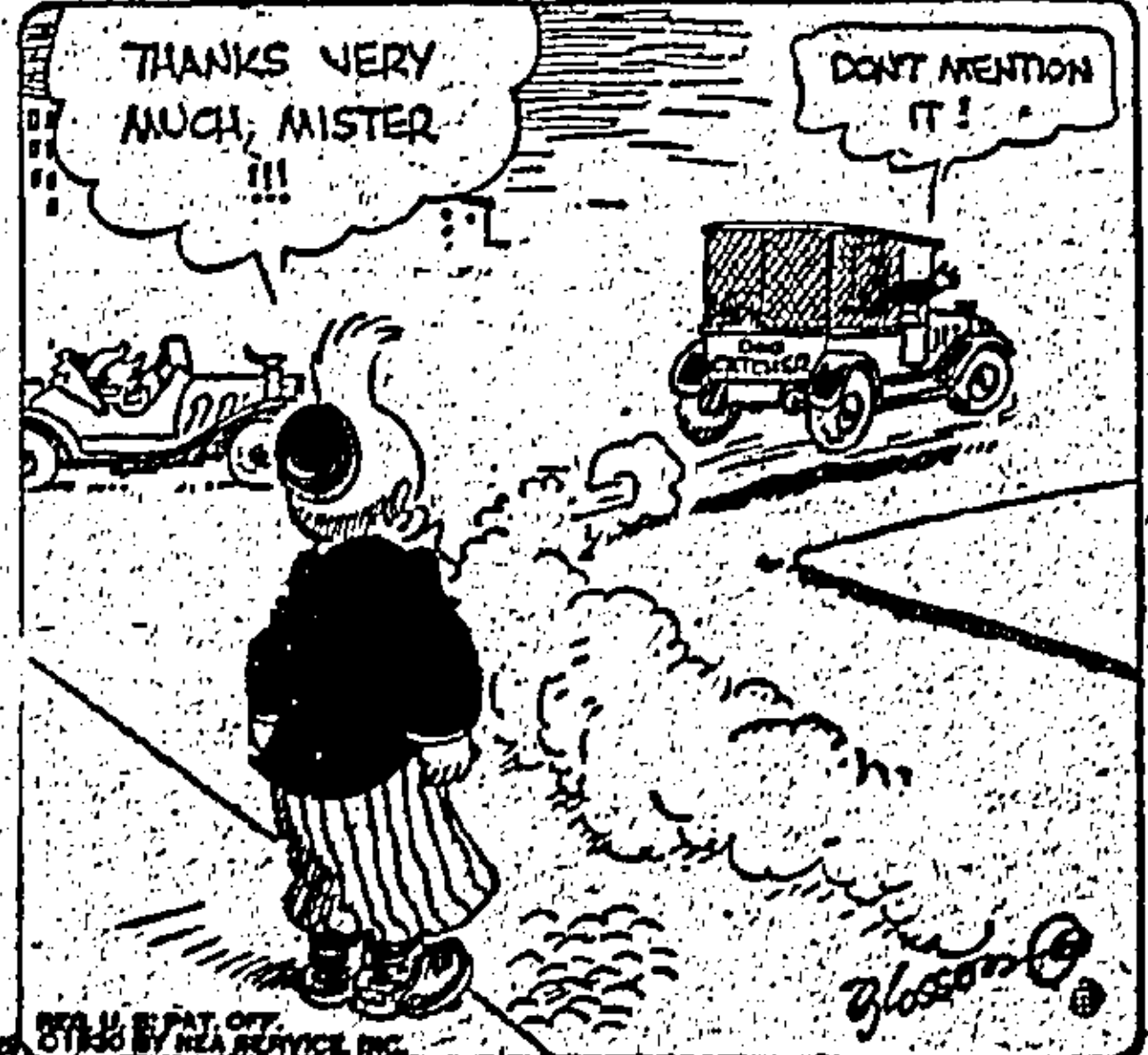
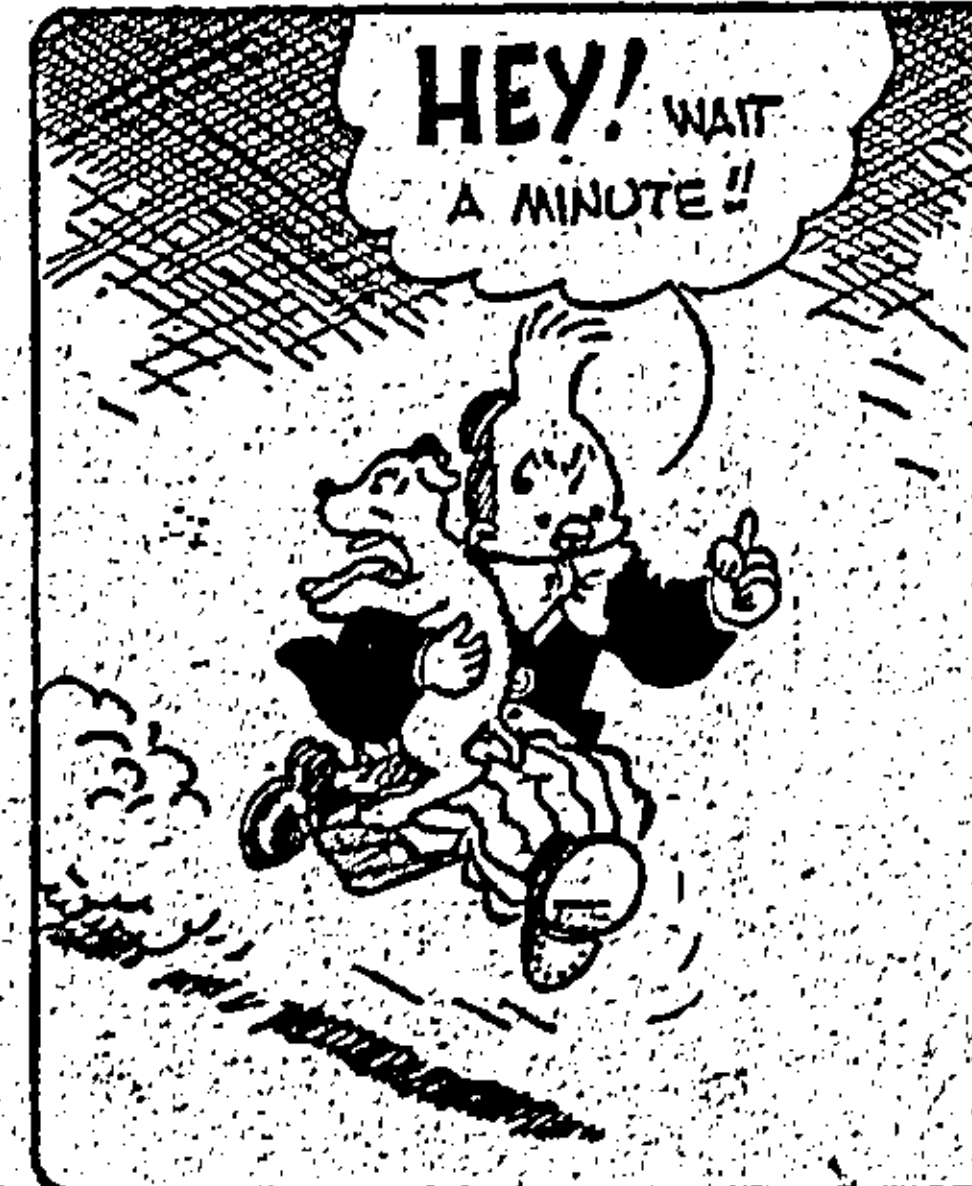
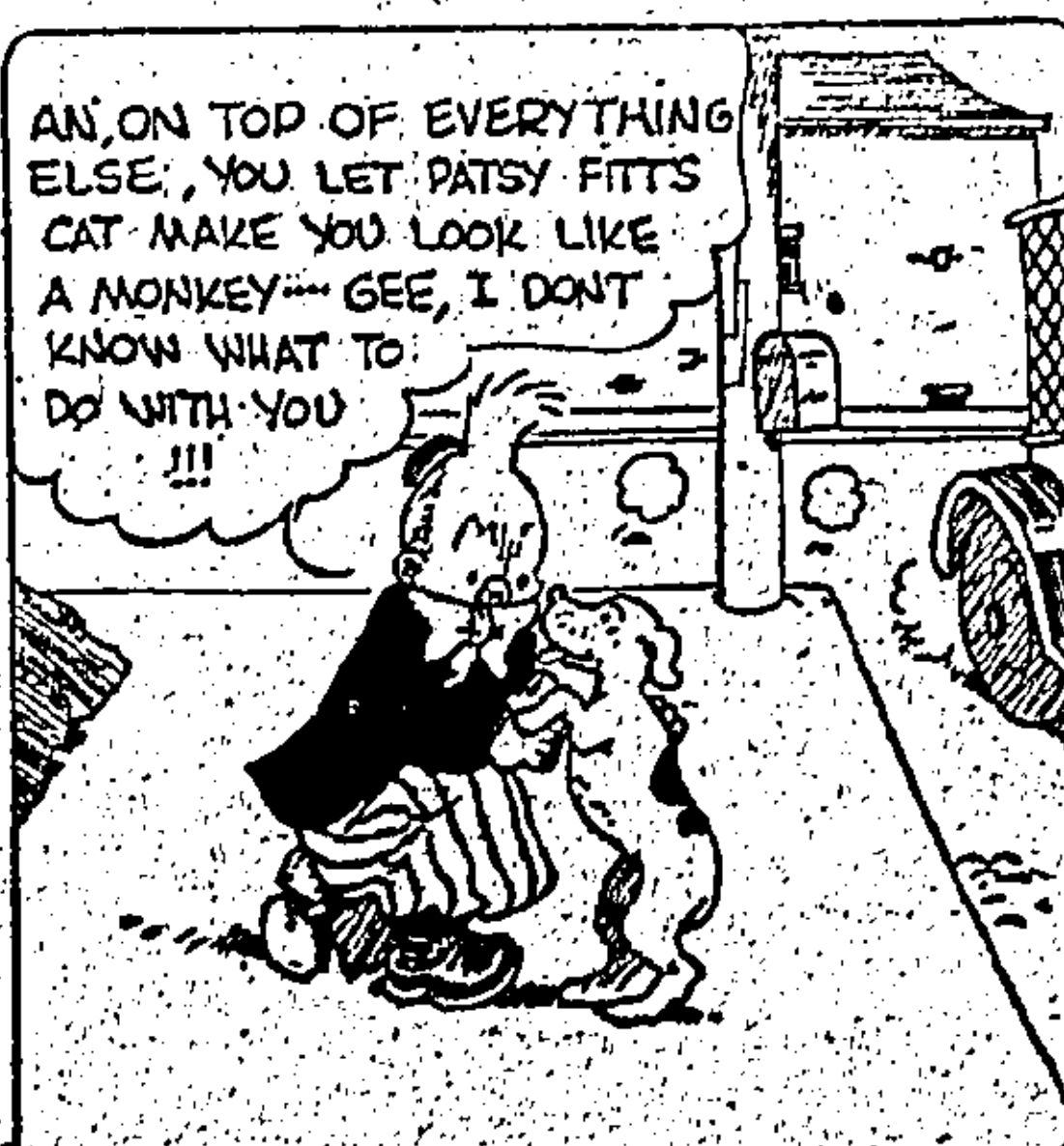
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THE SOCIAL EVIL.

From a remark made by Dr. Drummond Shiels about a fortnight ago, it may be assumed that Hongkong will shortly be expected to pass legislation dealing with what is popularly known as the social evil. Dr. Shiels stated that it is the Government's policy to abolish brothels, and added that Sir William Peel had conferred with the Secretary of State on the matter before coming out to take up his post. Some idea of the nature of the proposed legislation on the subject may be obtained by taking note of an amending Ordinance which has been made public in Singapore and which is to deal with the same subject. One of the Straits papers, in commenting on the question, states that the new law is the outcome of the cogitations of a committee appointed by the Colonial Office. This committee sat under the chairmanship of Lord Balfour of Burleigh, but it is stated that primarily the whole action now proposed is based on a dictum of a League of Nations sub-committee that "organised prostitution leads to traffic in women and girls."

The action being taken in the Straits Settlements—and we presume that the same procedure will be followed here in Hongkong—is by way of amendment of the Women and Girls Protection Ordinance. The principal amendments proposed are the repeal of those provisions of the existing law which are directed at brothel-keepers who allow prostitutes suffering from venereal diseases to remain in brothels, and which empower the Protector of Chinese to require individual prostitutes to submit to medical examination; and the introduction of provisions to render illegal the keeping or management of a brothel, or the knowing acquiescence by a landlord or lessor in the use of his property as a brothel or for habitual prostitution. According to one clause of the amended Bill provides for the suppression of brothels, whilst another makes provision for the determination of the tenancy of premises in respect of which a conviction has been obtained under the earlier clause. Both these clauses, it may be explained, are modelled on the corresponding sections of the Criminal Law Amendment Act now in force in England. As we

say, it is to be presumed that Hongkong will deal with the issue on lines similar to those in Singapore, since our own Ordinance for the protection of women and girls follows in main respects the enactment in the Straits Settlements which is now to be radically amended.

We are not surprised to find that one of the Singapore newspapers, the Straits Times, criticises in a trenchant manner the proposed method of dealing with the evil. Pointing out that prostitution cannot be ended by legislation, it takes the view that what cannot be eradicated is better recognised and controlled than ignored and allowed to flourish in its most harmful form. Strong criticism is offered of "that type of morality which is made at Geneva and which believes in pushing underground what it is ashamed to see and too 'moral' to deal with rationally, in the interests of public health." Our own reaction to the question is precisely similar. We are all for the most drastic punishment of those found guilty of the buying and selling of girls for the purposes of prostitution, and we also want to see every possible measure taken to wipe out some of the worse aspects of brothel management in this Colony. But to imagine that a service is being done to the community by the ruthless shutting down of these establishments, and thus encouraging the coming into existence of innumerable uncontrolled "sly" brothels, is to shut one's eyes to the obvious. This grandmotherly legislation is on all fours with the closing of properly regulated opium dens, which in this Colony has only resulted in the springing up everywhere of illegal houses, many of which were at one time, if they still are not, run by interests which had received compensation when the suppression of the former establishments was ordered.

Lepers in Hongkong.

The information given to Mr. M. K. Lo by the President of the Sanitary Board in answer to a series of questions on the subject of leprosy was generally reassuring and on the whole tends to show that the problem is not by any means one of the Colony's major ones. The number of lepers dealt with by the Police in the last eight years or so is small, and if the incidence of the disease is only a quarter of that in Kwangtung Province then it is clear that there are comparatively few cases in the Colony. Taking the population at the probably extreme figure of a million, then the total number of cases on the estimate is about 250 and we presume that if the disease was spreading that more official interest would have been shown in it than has been the case. If the disease is comparatively rare in the Colony, as it appears to be, there can be no disagreement with the Government's policy in advocating the treatment of cases at the Shek Lung Settlement. There would not seem to be the need for any place of segregation in the Colony itself while the cases remain few in number and while satisfactory treatment can be given at recognised centre of curative work like Shek Lung. There are far more urgent requirements concerning public health in Hongkong, particularly in view of the fact that cases of leprosy can be treated at present in the Colony's hospitals. Mr. Lo has, however, done a service to the community generally in bringing the matter forward and in pressing for information on points regarding which the general public has been in doubt. The information regarding the infectious or contagious nature of the disease was reassuring, and nothing but satisfaction can be felt in the knowledge that leprosy is curable, even although the cure is in the same sense as that of tuberculosis, a disease which demands far more attention in Hongkong than

LAST OF LEVER HOUSE.

THE GRAND BABYLON OF FORMER DAYS.

DEMOLITION WORK.

Lever House, the old De Keyser's Hotel, the great crescent-shaped building that fronts on more than a hundred yards of Embankment at Blackfriars, is being broken down writes a Morning Post correspondent. The demolition of the Grand Babylon of Victoria times, with its inner quadrangles, its vistas of corridors, groups of suites and staircases threading their way between six huge floors, is one of the biggest tasks of destruction ever undertaken in London. The work, recently begun, will last for more than two months. Before a building is razed, the interior is stripped of all metal, decoration, or fixtures that can be put into service elsewhere, and this "preliminary—scrumping," in the expressive language of the contractor's men—is still being carried out. But simultaneously parts of the walls are being hewed down, expanses of roof have already been torn away, and more and more the old De Keyser begins to assume the crazed and desolate aspect of hotels in Ypres or Arras a dozen years ago. The dust was thick on the stairs, and the landings echoed to the distant thudding of picks and the splintering tap-tap of trowels when I mounted towards the crumbling and precipitous brick peaks in which the building disconcertingly ends.

Writing on the Wall.

Radiators stood adrift in the shabby rooms, mantelpieces leaned bodily against the walls, and dismembered doors showed the names of a staff which will never trouble their handles again. With every step upwards, the measured clamour of destruction grew more menacingly loud. Almost at the top, from a room in which the walls showed rents into outer space, and only the joists of the floor were left, a bold caricature, charcoal on plaster, caught my eye. Gingerly I ventured in, to gaze on a wicked travesty of bald authority. Underneath, the inscription ran: "Beauty and grace once dwelt in this place." Writ sarcastic, obviously.

Alps of Rubble.

It must have been the typists' room. And now, stealing a look through the yawning floor, the visitor might answer with another line: "How dizzy 'tis to cast one's eyes so low!"

A short stage more, and at last you are on top of all, with ugly chasms right and left, and such tremors as must have come to leopards when first he had doubts of his wings. The wind, hardly noticed in the street, up here is a terror to stability. But after the stuffy pavement it is very cool, and there is a giddy, foolish, exultant sense of supremacy in gazing down upon mankind.

The only company is a cowl on a neglected chimney, solemnly revolving. Just below a number of rooms have been laid bare, whose distempered walls have the look of intimacy surprised; and at the bottom of the abyss little figures in a chain are passing bricks from hand to hand to a lorry. Saint Paul's dome looms near, and there slides the diminished Thames; around are the towers and churches and factory stacks of hazy London.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, July 9.
Paris	123.69
New York	4.865
Brussels	26.05
Amsterdam	12.10
Milan	92.89
Berlin	20.395
Stockholm	18.104
Copenhagen	18.16
Oslo	18.16
Vienna	24.45
Frankfurt	164.18
Helsingfors	103.172
Madrid	41.35
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	365
Bucharest	118
Rio	5.13/22
Buenos Aires	404
Shanghai	17.52
Hongkong	7.13
Yokohama	2/13/32
Silver (spot)	16.13/16
Silver (forward)	154

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

GENIUS AND ABILITIES ARE GIVEN AS LAMPS TO THE WORLD, NOT TO SELF.—Sir Egerton Brydges.

There was a clear bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

During the temporary absence from the Colony of Mrs. H. E. Goldsmith, Mrs. MacKichan, of 294, The Peak, has taken over the duties of Honorary Treasurer of the Hongkong Benevolent Society.

A Chinese lad named Cheung Kwai, (15), of 80, Second Street, West Point, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, yesterday with a severe injury to his left hand, caused by a chopper with which he was chopping fish.

The Chimes, St. Stephen's College magazine, again makes another appearance. It is full of informative matter relating to various aspects of College life, whilst some interesting particulars are given regarding Old Boys.

A Chinese boy named Wong Shek-kwong, (12), was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from injuries received as a result of a fall, whilst, it is alleged, attempting to commit a larceny, on the second floor of No. 22, Kennedy Road.

"D. X." is the title of the official organ of the Hongkong Amateur Radio Transmitting Society, the first number of which has just made its appearance. It contains many instructive articles on amateur radio, together with station reports, observations, and interesting light reading matter. The magazine, which is to be published monthly, can be obtained from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh at 50 cents per copy.

COLONY'S WATER SUPPLY.

CONTRASTS WITH LAST YEAR'S SHORTAGE.

The water return made up to July 1st shows that the total storage in Hongkong reservoirs was 1,140.32 million gallons, compared with 163.69 million gallons on the same date last year.

The consumption on the island during June was 341.99 million gallons, which included 64.14 million gallons from the mainland, compared with 115.25 million gallons last year.

The mainland reservoirs on July 1st contained 390.89 million gallons, as against 111.30 million gallons on the same date last year. The consumption for June was 135.14 million gallons, compared with 62.33 million gallons last year.

The total rainfall from January 1st to June 30th was 31.42 inches, against 14.38 inches last year.

NICOLA BAFFLES EVERYBODY.

DRAWING PACKED HOUSES TO THE STAR.

Nicola, with his wonderful array of illusions and sleight-of-hand tricks, continues to mystify his audiences at the Star Theatre. It is evident that he has made a very exhaustive study of his subject, and all that he produces has the stamp of originality.

In the gas-breaking scene before a crowded audience last night, he gave free rein to an easy guess as to how the trick was done, but just as the audience had begun to congratulate themselves on their smartness in seeing through it, he staged his climax, and hey presto! the convict disappeared right before their eyes.

The human pin-cushion is another illusion which baffles all ordinary explanation. Long spikes are apparently driven through a box without so much as scratching the subject previously manacled and placed inside the contraption.

A repeat performance is being given to-night.

What must be welcome news for the children is that Nicola will be giving a special children's matinee on Saturday at 5.30 at the Star Theatre. The little ones will afford the little ones a unique opportunity of marvelling, and who will not at the illusions of one of the world's greatest magicians. Children will be admitted at half prices to all parts of the house, and early reservations should be made.

leprosy. There is ample evidence that the Colony's medical authorities are well informed on the subject of leprosy and we would advocate a continuance of adequate vigilance in order to discover the trend of the disease locally.

The Very Idea!

One of Chicago's bright young women bandits has been playing a novel trick on victims of her own sex.

Reports to the police disclose that she gains admittance to apartments when the menfolk are absent. Then, at the revolver's muzzle, the intruder will compel the woman or women of the house to disrobe and to sit in a bath after it has been filled with water. Thereupon the robber woman carries off all the other women's clothes and otherwise loots the place at leisure.

A parishioner, meeting his vicar, who was carrying a brief bag, remarked, "Got your lunch, vicar?" "Sermons," returned the clergyman. "Food for thought, you know."

"Oh, I see—dried tongue!"

To-day's tragedy.—The little girl who attended three Sunday schools religiously throughout the year has discovered that the annual picnics are all on the same date.

Three tales from Pro Patria the British Legion Scottish journal:

A student when sitting for an examination, was asked to compose one verse of poetry including the words "analyse" and "anatomy." He wrote:

My analyse over the ocean,
My analyse over the sea,
Oh, who will go over the ocean
And bring back my anatomy.

Mrs. Mary Hughes, the original Mary of the nursery rhyme "Mary Had a Little Lamb," has just celebrated her 89th birthday. When she was 3 years old Mrs. Hughes nursed the orphan lambs on her father's farm at Tyissa, Llangollen, and one day the pet lamb followed her to school, two miles away.

Miss Sarah Buell, who was then staying at the farmstead, commemorated the incident in verses which became world famous.

Judge—"You've stolen no chickens?"

Sam—"No, sah."

Judge—"No geese?"

Sam—"No, sah."

Judge—"Any turkeys?"

Sam—"No, sah."

Judge—"Discharged."

Sam (grinning)—"Boss, I sure was pleased to death you all'd say ducks."

WATER LEVELS.

ON WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in English feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River, on the dates named:

	July 8.	July 9.
Shuihing	—	9.5
Tsingyuen	7.0	0.8
Samshui	5.6	5.2
Shelkung	2.0	2.4
The highest levels on record are:		
—Shuihing, 41 feet; Tsingyuen,		
29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet;		
Shelkung 15.5 feet.		
The lowest level on record at		
Samshui is minus 5 feet and at		
Shelkung minus 2.7 feet.		

WHO WAS—?

POLLY PEACHUM.

Sweet Polly Peachum was the daughter of the landlord of a disreputable inn, the resort of crooks and rascals of both sexes. When she married the handsome and fascinating Captain Macheath, a highwayman, she unintentionally foiled the designs of her wicked mother, who had planned a more spectacular, though even less respectable, future for her.

Polly's parents tried to end the marriage by betraying her husband to the police; a former sweetheart of Macheath attempted to poison her; Macheath himself succumbed over and anon to the seductions of other charmers, but Polly's loving constancy triumphed over parents, poisoners and profligate fancies alike. When Macheath was pardoned just in time to escape the hangman's rope, he vowed to be faithful to her evermore.

The story of sweet Polly and her captain is sung in "The Beggar's Opera," composed by John Gay, and first produced in 1728. Lavinia Felton has a great success in the role of Polly, and since then many Pollys have charmed themselves into the heart of the public, and three of them into the peerage.

TRIED TO ESCAPE FROM PRISON.**YOUNG CHINESE DAMAGES TWO CELLS.****THRIFTY INDIVIDUAL.**

A young Chinese, the son of a fisherman at Aberdeen, was arrested yesterday on a charge of stealing a rattan bangle from the wrist of a baby. He made two attempts to break out of custody when taken to the local station.

It was stated that on the first occasion, while being lodged in a cell, he all but succeeded in wrenching the wire grating from the upper part of a window. Upon being discovered at the attempt, he was removed into an adjoining cell, where he prepared for another attempt.

A cell guard whose suspicions had been aroused, came upon him in the act of climbing up the window with the view, apparently, of making a similar attack on the wire grating. He was warned, and the bout being a late one, was advised by the guard "to go to sleep".

The only witness whom defendant could produce on being charged before Mr. Grantham, to-day, was his mother, who gave a sterling character for her son. "He is industrious and so thrifty that he was reluctant even to have a haircut," she declared.

His Worship found he could not rely on the only direct evidence of theft given by that of an eight year old boy. He discharged defendant on the count of stealing the bangle, but fined him \$50 for damaging the wire grating of his cell.

THE TROUBLES IN INDO-CHINA.

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poverty and sickness. Born in the beautiful modern country that is the Indo-China of to-day, he cannot judge by comparison the service we have rendered him. He sees only that he is our equal, and that his country is governed—administered if you like—by foreigners.

The Student in Paris.

"Let us take the case of Young Nguyen, a rich and prepossessing Annamite youth attending the University at Paris, venturing forth into our Quartier Latin, with a good paternal allowance of six to eight hundred piastres, that is to say, six or eight thousand francs per month. See him surrounded by an entourage of pretty female acquaintances of a transitory type, who enjoy the ride he is able to offer in his luxurious car, his *tele-a-tele* cabaret parties and his comfortable bachelor diggings.

"He has a retentive memory—a gift for assimilation that is astonishing. Pleasures do not hinder his studies. He conquers his diplomas. Nguyen is doctor in medicine or in law, engineer, architect, bachelor in letters. In Paris, this Asiatic is the equal of any good European student, the superior of a dunce.

"At Saigon or at Hanoi, when he returns home, all this is no more. He cannot participate in the administration of his country, except in subordinate positions. He is not received in French society. A French excise-man, greatly daring, "thee-thou" him in terms with which it is usual to address a house-servant. Nguyen begins to feel dissatisfied!

Educating an Enemy.

"For on the Saint-Michel and Montparnasse Boulevards in Paris, Nguyen has not only studied law and enjoyed his dancing, he has also come into close contact with intellectual people and politicians. He has read journals and read books reflecting the outstanding opinion of the day. He has taken part in meetings, conferences, and public reunions. He knows that in Paris, one can freely criticise, defend, or even calumniate the Government and the highest personages. It is not long before he gives a doctrinal form to his discontentment.

"He does no more than to return to his home to become one of the directors of the revolutionary society. With our own hands we have fashioned our enemy! Herein, very succinctly stated, lies the origin of discontent amongst the upper classes. This discontentment amongst the upper classes would have been less dangerous if it were not able to come into contact with sufferings of the lower masses. With the progress that we have contributed, we have not yet been able yet to eliminate either all the miseries or all the injustices.

Natural Reactions.

"First of all, in creating industry, we have formed a proletariat of workmen. The peasants, finding insufficient sustenance from the productivity of the Tonkinese rice fields, have become coal miners at Hongay, matchmakers at Benthuy and workers on field and

ABSENT WITHOUT PERMISSION.**SULLIVAN AGAIN LEAVES THE "HOUSE."****TO PRISON AGAIN.**

Vincent Sullivan, a familiar figure at the House of Detention, came before Mr. Grantham at the Central Police Court this morning on a charge, the third one within a few months, of absconding himself from the House without the permission of the Superintendent of Prisons.

Captain Bloxham, Assistant Superintendent of Prisons, stated that Sullivan first went into the House on April 9th. Two days later he absconded, and on being arrested and charged before the Court, received ten days' hard labour on April 19th.

Re-admitted into the House on April 28th, he was taken ill and went into hospital for a month. Immediately after his discharge, he again absented himself, and, on June 4th, he was taken before the Magistrate and received another month's imprisonment.

After again being detained in the House on July 5th, he asked for permission to go out. He was warned that if he failed to return, he would be again taken before the Court and an application would then be made for a heavy penalty. He had then said he fully understood that. He went away and never returned.

Sullivan, replying to the charge, said it was all due to worry over his not being able to get a ship to go back Home to the States. Also, it was due to ill-health and a weakness for alcohol.

He asked the Magistrate to deal as leniently as possible with his case.

Detective Sergeant Whant stated that the American Consul was endeavouring to send Sullivan away as soon as a job could be found for him on a ship returning to the States.

Sullivan was sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

plantation, and forest. They complain—sometimes justly—of their insufficient wage and of the brutalities of their taskmasters.

"On the other hand, the young peasants who remain on the soil have themselves also not known the epoch of periodical famines. Despite our labours, we have not yet been able to ward off all the consequences of inundations or typhoon visitations. Since we are the masters, it is natural that they should hold us responsible for that scarcity of material things."

M. Louis Roubaud goes on to speak of the system of dual Government, exercised jointly by Annamite and French officials in those provinces clothed with the status of a "Protectorate", pointing out where the system is open to glaring abuses. He says that a French gendarme in a certain village, with whom he came into contact, complained against the administration on the score that not having allowed him travelling expenses, it had required him to use his own private car in its service. "It is not with his pay that he could allow himself such a luxury," comments M. Roubaud, ironically.

Acts of Injustice.

Speaking of acts of injustice which he himself witnessed during his stay, M. Roubaud continues: "On the same day, I have seen the Court at Hanoi condemn an Annamite student, convicted of writing a patriotic song, to three years' imprisonment, and a French overseer, who had for a trivial matter, killed one of his workmen by kicking him; to three months' imprisonment but with the sentence suspended.

"Naturally," M. Roubaud says, "I advance nothing that I cannot prove. I give the details and I cite the facts. I wish simply to indicate to-day that the suffering of the people has not disappeared since our arrival. It is that suffering which is to-day furnishing troops to the leaders of the revolutionary society, who in their turn become the discontented bourgeoisie.

"Verily my wise questioner (M. Roubaud here refers to a high Government official with 30 years' experience in Colonial administration) had reason when he affirmed that the bad disposition of the conquered could come to an end only with the departure of the conquerors. We shall never extirpate completely the herb of sedition from the soil of Annam. Taking everything into consideration, we have brought here much that is good, but we have not destroyed all that is bad.

"But the herb of sedition would spread less thickly if we had not given it so much manure. It is banal to repeat that, in our empire, we have certain rights as well as certain duties. I am not

LADY DOUGLAS.**SECOND HUSBAND KILLED AT POLO.**

Captain G. F. V. Scott Douglas, the famous polo player and husband of Lady Blanche Douglas, died in London as the result of an accident during a polo match at Templeton, Richmond Park, Surrey.

It was a riding accident which robbed Lady Blanche Douglas of her first husband, the sixth Earl of St. Germans, who died in 1922 after an illness arising from injuries received while steeplechasing.

Lady Blanche, who is the elder sister of the Duke of Beaufort, was married to Capt. Douglas in 1924.

Capt. Douglas received his fatal injuries while playing for the Dolphins' team in the Young Cup competition against a Life Guards' team. His pony came into collision with another and fell on him. A friend said:

"His pony was moving quite slowly. Had it been travelling fast he would very probably have been thrown clear of the saddle and have escaped."

Capt. Douglas, who lived at Luckington, Chippenham, Wiltshire, was the only son of Mr. Francis John Douglas, heir presumptive of Sir George Douglas, Bt., of Springwood Park, Kelso, Roxburghshire. He served throughout the war with the 15th Hussars, and was a member of the Roehampton, Hurlingham, and Ranelagh Clubs.

one of those who contest those rights, but I feel that we have not completely accomplished those duties."

Party Distinctions.

Finally, M. Roubaud warns his countrymen against the delusion that the present countrywide political upheaval is merely a Communist movement engineered by the Third Internationale. They should not look, he says, on the situation in an artificial red light but under the natural light of the sun that shines on Indo-China.

Their traditions, their natural circumstances, and their family structure preclude such doctrines as are preached by Moscow from being the convictions of the people, and he does not believe that in Indo-China to-day there are more than 20 disciples of Lenin. The fusion now in process of being consolidated, between the Annamite Nationalist Party and the Annamite Communist Party representing Nationalism on one hand and Communism on the other, is an inevitable development, forced by circumstances to be directed against a common "enemy."

The Nationalists believe that all allies are good enough for attaining their dream of independence. The Communists calculate that the time is opportune by working on the most retrograde passions of the people to extinguish in its Oriental domain the imperialism of the Occident. Both parties, he says, assess in a highly accurate degree just what benefits could be conferred by union with the other; and the understanding is tacit.

Union of Convenience.

"Take the case of China," he says, "as soon as it had ascended to power, or very nearly—the Kuomintang rid itself of its Gallants and its Borodins, and other Moscow technicians. On the other hand if Communism is in effect, the essence of the present Annamite revolutionary fever, where and what are the causes?"

M. Roubaud enjoins his countrymen to take a balanced view when they proceed to examine the causes of the unrest in Indo-China.

PREFERS PRISON TO HOME.**YOUNG GIRL STILL REMAINS ADAMANT.****SENTENCE SUSPENDED.**

No satisfactory arrangements were forthcoming as a result of a visit to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs with regard to the future of a young Chinese girl who, having been arrested on a charge of theft, refused, on her previous appearance before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy, to be taken into the Salvation Army Home.

When the case was mentioned before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Sub-Inspector C. Evans informed his Worship that the S.C.A. could not make any impression on the girl or on her grandmother. She had been taken to see the female prison at Victoria Gaol and also to the Salvation Army Home for her to compare the two places, but she still insisted on going to prison. The grandmother was actually the stumbling-block as the girl had, at first, expressed her willingness to go to the Salvation Army Home.

Addressing the grandmother, his Worship said that if he had to send the girl to prison, he would have to send her for the maximum term.

Woman Doesn't Mind.

The grandmother replied that she did not mind so long as the girl eventually returned to her.

In reply to the Magistrate, the woman said that she would rather that the defendant was sent to prison for six months, than see her taken to the Salvation Army Home even though she could receive proper training at the Home.

Miss Raines, of the Salvation Army, intimated that the defendant could go to the Home for six months and then return to her grandmother.

His Worship remarked that he had great reluctance to send the girl to prison but she would be better in prison for six months than to remain under her grandmother's influence.

Miss Raines:—Could the girl decide?

His Worship:—I have not gone into the question, but I suppose this woman is her guardian.

Miss Raines:—I am doubting whether she is the grandmother, as I don't think any grandmother, who loved her child, would do this.

His Worship (to the grandmother):—Your husband has been sent to prison for two months and I suppose after that he will be banished. Will that make any difference?

Grandmother:—That's his business.

Guardianship Issue.

His Worship:—I believe you two people—you and your husband—have been living on the proceeds from the thefts of this girl; that you have encouraged her to steal?—No.

The little girl, when questioned, refused to go to the Home.

His Worship sentenced the girl to six months' imprisonment and ordered that she be brought before the Court again on Wednesday next when she would get an opportunity of reconsidering her decision. His Worship intimated that he would like an official of the S.C.A. to be present next week to consider the question of whether the woman was the lawful guardian of the girl and also what the effect would be if the girl agreed to go, but the

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GUARANTEE POINT RAISED.**FIRM BRINGS ACTION ON FIVE ACCOUNTS.****AGENCY DEFENCE.**

Alleging that defendant had held himself responsible for payment of goods sent to people in Toi Shan District, the Yus Hing Shing Kee, No. 174, Wing Lok Street, brought an action against Chan Ching-kwok, No. 160, Wing Lok Street, in the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Wood. Plaintiff claimed the sum of \$362.61, being the balance due under five accounts stated and agreed between the parties, and the money was alternatively claimed as balance due under guarantees in writing.

Mr. E.S.C. Brooks was for plaintiff and Mr. F. X. D'Almada, junior, defended.

In opening his case, Mr. Brooks asked for leave to amend the amount claimed in the writ by reducing it to \$355.55.

After his Lordship had granted leave, Mr. Brooks explained that in 1926 defendant asked plaintiff to supply goods to certain of his (defendant's) friends in the Toi Shan District. As those people had no business in Hongkong, plaintiff agreed to supply the goods on the understanding that defendant should be primarily liable for payment.

On those conditions, the goods were shipped to Toi Shan. After they had been put on board a ship and the ship's receipt obtained, defendant chopped a book thus acknowledging that the price of the goods was the amount owed. Mr. Brooks stated that there were five such accounts.

Mr. D'Almada admitted the documents, and, in explaining his defence, said that defendant was only an agent for the Toi Shan customers and the principals were known. Defendant had never guaranteed payment or made any payments to plaintiff at all.

Mr. Man-kee, manager of plaintiff firm, said he had known defendant for over ten years and commenced business dealings with him six or seven years ago. Plaintiff stated that defendant agreed to hold himself responsible for the debts, and produced books in which were entries of defendant having paid money on account of the goods.

In reply to Mr. D'Almada, cross-examining, witness said that defendant had guaranteed payment, otherwise he would not have put his chop on the bill. When anyone put their chop on a bill they were liable for payment. The defendant came personally and paid him on five occasions on behalf of the various people. He denied that all payments were made direct to the plaintiffs by the principals.

The defendant, on oath, said that he had never ordered goods for Wong Sze-fong, but that Wong had himself ordered the goods on behalf of the principals. He did not guarantee payments on behalf of Wong. He never ordered any goods from the plaintiffs on behalf of Kum Leung.

Cross-examined, he admitted that the chop on the bill, exhibit "A," was his, and he had put it there because he had received goods on behalf of Wong and had also received an account.

Mr. Brooks put it to defendant that that was utter nonsense, and that according to Chinese business, when a chop was put on a bill, it made the person liable for that debt.

Defendant agreed that that was the Chinese custom in business, but on this occasion he was acknowledging debt on behalf of the principal.

Mr. D'Almada, in addressing His Lordship, said that it was obvious from the evidence of the books that the defendant was acting as an agent for the principals, and that the plaintiffs and the principals dealt directly and made payments directly. There was no evidence as to any guarantee made by the defendant.

His Lordship said he accepted the books of the plaintiffs, and gave judgement in their favour for the amount stated.

NICOLA STUNT.**OUTDOOR DEMONSTRATION TO-MORROW.**

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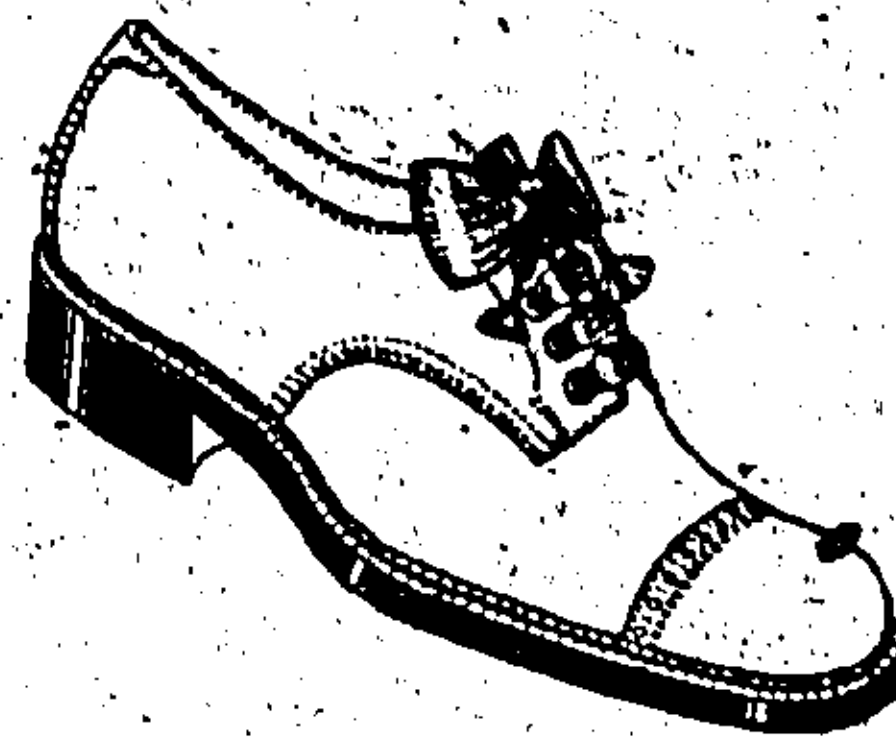
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woman refused. "I would like that matter to be gone into very fully," added Mr. Whyte Smith.

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CHAPTER XLIV.

Natalie got up early one bright and shining morning and stood meditating at her window. Across the street a woman was cleaning the white steps. She cleaned them every morning, excepting Sunday. Natalie wondered if it made her unhappy to let them go uncleaned for a single day.

The hold of habit and custom! Steps—or husbands. Was there so much difference in the weight of responsibility they placed upon the one supposed to care for them?

Didn't her steps worry this woman as much as her neglect of Alan worried Natalie? Natalie wondered about it, and wondered too if she were losing her sense of values.

She hadn't been able, since reading of Bernadine's Lamont's death, to shake off a feeling that she ought to do as her Aunt Emma advised, and go to Alan. Blessed Aunt Em! She at least wasn't all cluttered up with human equations. When asked to weigh this or that problem, as likely as not she would answer: "I'm not a fish, I ain't carrying scales around with me." Then, probably, she'd laugh and add: "I got to go look at my biscuits."

Had Alan been merely fascinated with Bernadine, or had he really loved her? This was the question Natalie weighed almost every moment of her waking hours.

Aunt Emma said seriously one day: "You know, honey, I suspect a man can love any number of times, but I'll bet my biscuit recipe against Dora Lane's that he loves one woman best of the lot just the same, whether he loves her first, or last."

She had said no more; Natalie had understood. And she asked herself this too as she stood watching the scrubbing going on across the street: "What woman had Alan loved most?"

And there was still another question.

Someone must have come to visit at the house across the street. A chubby little baby face was to be seen at the windows occasionally. Natalie grew to watch for it and to wait for the march down the immaculate steps for the morning and afternoon walks. The sight of the little round figure holding to the hand of the pretty young woman beside it—the mother, Natalie was certain—had first brought this question to Natalie's mind, and there it remained.

Bernadine Lamont had had a little son. What would become of him?

She seemed to remember that Alan had said Bernadine had no relatives. Would Alan himself take the boy?

She came to believe that he would.

And then she told her aunt that she was going back to Alan. "I want him," she said simply, "on any terms. If he thinks me a vile thing, well, I am to blame. He was patient with my silly jealousy for a long time, Aunt Em."

The older woman looked searchingly into her hope-filled eyes. "Umph," she said, "and how do you expect to convince him that you had nothing to do with that letter? Can you let that drop, my dear, and be happy?"

"I'll have to," Natalie answered. "But I'll confess that it's been a hard fight to forgive him for doubting me even with my abominable behaviour to influence him."

Her aunt nodded. "I see you've made up your mind," she said understandingly. "Well, I wouldn't undertake to advise you anyway, but you want to be sure, when you tackle a new job, that you know the size of it, Natalie, dear."

"I've thought of it night and day," Natalie told her. "If Alan won't believe me—he won't, but he might forgive me if he thought I deserved it, and I've thought of a way to atone for the crime I didn't commit. I'm going to tell him that I want to bring up Bernadine Lamont's son as my own."

Aunt Emma was perturbed. "But, my dear, just to make up a quarrel—"

"I want to do it!" Natalie exclaimed. "I may be blaming myself for too much wrong, but I've a feeling that if I hadn't been so unreasonably jealous of Alan, all this would never have happened."

"Perhaps not all of it," Aunt Emma agreed, "but you couldn't have stopped the boy's mother from dying, you know."

"No, but it wouldn't have left Alan responsible for him. And I'm sure he feels that he is."

"Maybe you're right," Aunt Emma said, with a relaxing sigh. And then: "Dear me, I hope it all turns out all right."

"It will," Natalie assured her brightly. She had found it a great encouragement to have made up her mind. "But if Alan should be—stubborn," she added gravely, "I'll do what I can for the little boy just the same."

Her aunt came and kissed her tenderly. "You're a good woman, Natalie," she said softly. "You ought to have children of your own."

Natalie smiled back at her. "Come and help me pack," she said breathlessly.

That afternoon Natalie arrived in New York, and sent word to Alan from a hotel that she wished urgently to see him.

He was inclined to refuse, but as the hour she had set drew near, he found himself going to her. And this being somewhat against his will, he justified himself by a decision to be unbending with her.

It was a quiet place Natalie had chosen, and they easily found a deserted reception room where they could talk undisturbed.

A great deal of Natalie's high courage fled with the first sight of Alan's forbidding countenance. And he immediately made it plain that he had no disposition to talk to her.

She found herself rather haltingly telling him what she had come to say. And how different it sounded from the way she had meant to put it. He would believe she was admitting guilt if she continued in this way, a cooler portion of her brain warned her. Still she kept on, and the quieter Alan sat, the more penetratingly he looked at her, the more she floundered.

What a sorry mess she was making of it. She could have cried with humiliation. For Alan's mouth was beginning to twist into a sneer.

He was telling himself that she had come to make a cheaply dramatic gesture over a dead woman's child. She ought to know better, for she was too clever to try denying what she did and renewing her ridiculous charge against Bernadine. She knew he wouldn't stand for that. She ought to know that he would see through this tricky gesture.

He glanced at her hands. What the devil were they reaching for? He sat up stiffly. He knew—she hadn't moved them—they were tightly clasped in her lap, but the illusion that they were lifted in appeal to him was disturbingly real.

Natalie stumbled to silence. She knew she had appealed in vain.

"I shouldn't have come," Alan said, with a touch of pity. "We might have spared ourselves this, for the whole matter of Bobby Lamont's future, and my own as well, is settled."

"Oh," Natalie thought, frenziedly, "why does he have to be so stiff?" But she did not speak, except with her eyes that Alan was unable to evade.

"I'm going to adopt him," he explained in answer to their question.

"Yes, I thought you might do that," Natalie said rushingly, "but can you bring him up, Alan, without a woman to help you?"

Watching his hardened face, as he studied her before replying, Natalie felt that she had sunk to the lowest depths of humility in thus throwing herself at him.

The undiminished harshness of his expression made her cringe in dread of his words. She expected a tirade of reproaches, but Alan was not thinking wholly of the past. He was more occupied with the present. This was an hour he had dreamed of in his bitterest moods. Natalie—at his feet!

Her beseeching gaze, her parted lips, the air of supplication that vibrated about her—all these were as he had imagined them. Only himself was there something amiss. He was not enjoying her contrition.

And he had expected it to give him a fierce satisfaction. For it had angered him that she had gone to the end in arrogance—her letter, it had infuriated him. She had seemed to have not a touch of meekness, not a tinge of regret for what she had done. Haughty, disdainful. He had wished the time would come when he could humble her.

And now it was here. And he was going to humble her. He was going to show her what a miserable mistake she'd made about Bernadine. What a fool



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she'd been. Oh yes, he was going to do it—but he knew he was going to be cheated out of his anticipated gratification. Her beauty would do that to him. His eyes were feasting on it. He knew it. "But it isn't love," he denied hotly.

His face revealed his conflicting emotions. Natalie thought the rush of red to his face—that a moment before had been white—was caused by anger.

She caught her underlip, and held it sharply between her teeth. For one wild moment she was tempted to declare her innocence and beg him to believe her.

He must hate to have her think he was weak enough to take her back, she told herself, trying to read his changing expressions. All appeals would be useless. Still she felt she must convince him that she was sincere in her desire to have little Bobby Lamont as her own.

She made a heroic effort to speak calmly. "You know, Alan," she said, and her voice broke in spite of her, "whatever you may think of me, that I would make an intelligent mother."

He surprised her by nodding in agreement. In his present mood, she had thought he might take issue with her even on that point.

Her instant of elation vanished, as a sarcastic curl of his lips followed the nod. "Yes, I know that," he said witheringly. "But you should have had children of your own. For you cannot have Bobby Lamont. I am going to adopt him, and when you are granted your divorce decree, I'll marry the girl who is to be his mother."

(To Be Continued.)

The appearance of a snake in a small garden adjoining a large and busy public garage in High-street, Hampstead, N.W., caused considerable alarm. Two men seized sticks and tried to kill the reptile. It reared its head and hissed threateningly and then glided swiftly into a corner of the garden. The men followed it and killed it. It was at first thought to be an adder—the only venomous snake found in Britain. A closer inspection revealed two whitish marks behind the head and the lack of the characteristic dark zig-zag band and ornaments on the back of the adder. The reptile was a grass or ringed snake, the bite of which is harmless. It measured 31in. How it reached the middle of Hampstead is a mystery.

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CINEMA NOTES.

SONG SPECTACLE OF STARS AS ENTERTAINMENT.

No mental picture can be drawn of "Happy Days," all-star, all-talking Fox Movietone song romance which is at the Queen's Theatre. It is one of the most lavish pictures yet to reach the screen and the cast includes such well known personages as Will Rogers, Janet Gayner, Charles Farrell, Walter Catlett, George Jessell, William Collier, Sr., Victor McLaglen, Edmund Lowe, J. Harold Murray, El Brendel, Warner Baxter, George MacFarlane, Ann Pennington, Marjorie White, Sharen Lynn, Dixie Lee, Richard Keene, James J. Corbett and a host of other celebrities.

The story concerns a minstrel troupe that plays the local opera houses along the Mississippi River, travelling by steamboat. Colonel Billy Batcher, a lovable old character, owns the show and when it goes on financial rocks, the colonel's old friends, now stars on Broadway, come to his aid and put on a minstrel show that rehabilitates his fortune.

Charles E. Evans, dean of American comedians, enacts the role of the colonel and the love interest centres about Marjorie White and Richard Keene. Benjamin Stoloff was director-in-chief of this amazing and lavish spectacle. The credit for its staging goes to Walter Catlett, Broadway's droll jester.

"The Lady Lies"

The venture of entrusting to 14-year-old children two of the most important roles in a big feature picture has been worked out to the satisfaction of the director and the author, at least.

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how a child would behave than he gives them. Those two in our picture are unusual children. They have talent and they are amazingly bright. They are natural actors. Those qualities are much more useful in obtaining a life-like performance than any stage experience or dramatic school training."

John Meehan, author of the play, who directed the dialogue, was equally enthusiastic about the children: "Talking to Tom is just like talking to Walter Huston," Meehan said. "He is an actor; you can tell him what you want and get it. And Patricia is just as responsive in her own way."

Child actors are more desirable in several respects than adults, according to Henley and Meehan. They have greater natural adaptability and power of mimicry than the average grown person. They approach a part with more enthusiasm, and they always come to the performance with their lines memorized, showing a fervent desire to do their best.

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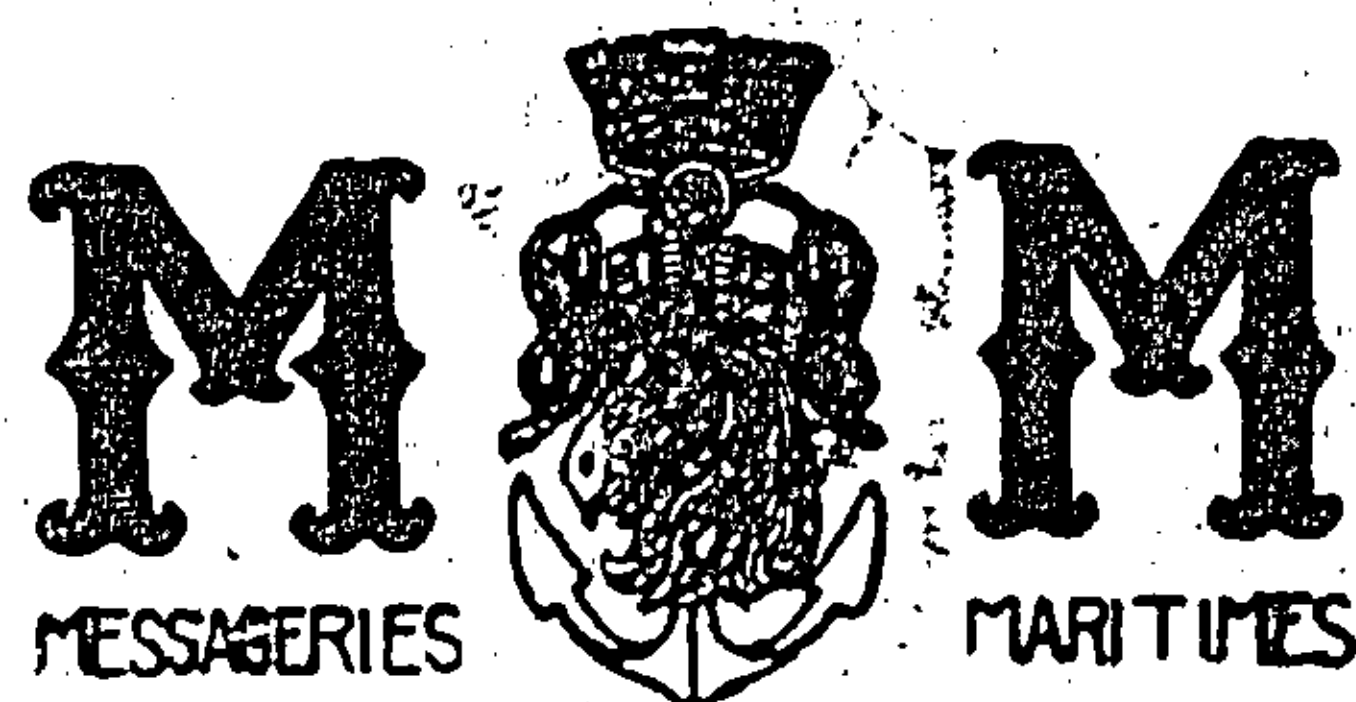
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BANDIT OUTRAGE IN KWANGTUNG.

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Over one hundred men and women kidnapped and confined in notorious bandit haunts in Yangping district, regarded as one of the "four big districts" of Kwangtung, to the west of Kongmoon, were rescued by Canton Government troops who carried out a most successful expedition on Saturday. The raids were organized following numerous complaints from the populace of Yangping regarding the bandit atrocities when hundreds of farm houses were raided and rich farmers were taken prisoner.

The bandits in Yangping were followers of one of the most dangerous bandit gangs in Kwangtung. In recent months they have destroyed several miles of farmlands in Yangping and Hoiping districts and have generally created a reign of terror. The gang consisted of over 1,000 followers. The expedition during the week-end followed extensive preparations and close co-operation with the elders of the villages who supplied valuable information to the troops regarding the movements and exact number of the bandits at the various haunts.

Three Day Battle.

After many enquiries, the commanders of the Canton troops eventually found that the stronghold of the bandits was in the mountainous district at Chai Wan Hui Village. Yangping, the Canton village gendarmes, the Canton troops commenced a siege on the village on Friday evening. Machine guns and grenades were freely used by both sides in the skirmishes, which continued for three days, with the bandits offering a stubborn resistance. The bandits retreated on Saturday and their stronghold was captured on Sunday afternoon. The dead

bodies of over one hundred and fifty bandits were found. In their hurried retreat the bandits failed to take away the hundred or so prisoners whom they were keeping for ransom. The suppression of this notorious haunt has brought great relief to the elders of Yangping, who congratulated the troops on their splendid work.

Ransom of \$35,000.

Evidence of the boldness of the outlaws in Kwangtung is shown by the fact that the mother of General Heung Hon-ping, the Kwangtung officer commanding the 62th Division of 5,000 troops, was kidnapped. General Heung Hon-ping was indignant over the outrage, but pressure of work in Kwangtung prevented him from personally leading a big force to suppress the bandits at Yamchow where the kidnapping took place.

Hardly had the Kwangtung war come to an end then General Heung Hon-ping's division was commissioned to proceed to Hunan, where another war with the "Ironclads" detained him. The latest news states that an accident happened to the lady who fell from a hill and was drowned in the river while the bandits were dragging her from one place to another in order to escape the attention of some government troops. The bandits demanded \$35,000 from General Heung Hon-ping, who is now seeking confirmation of the rumours of the incident.

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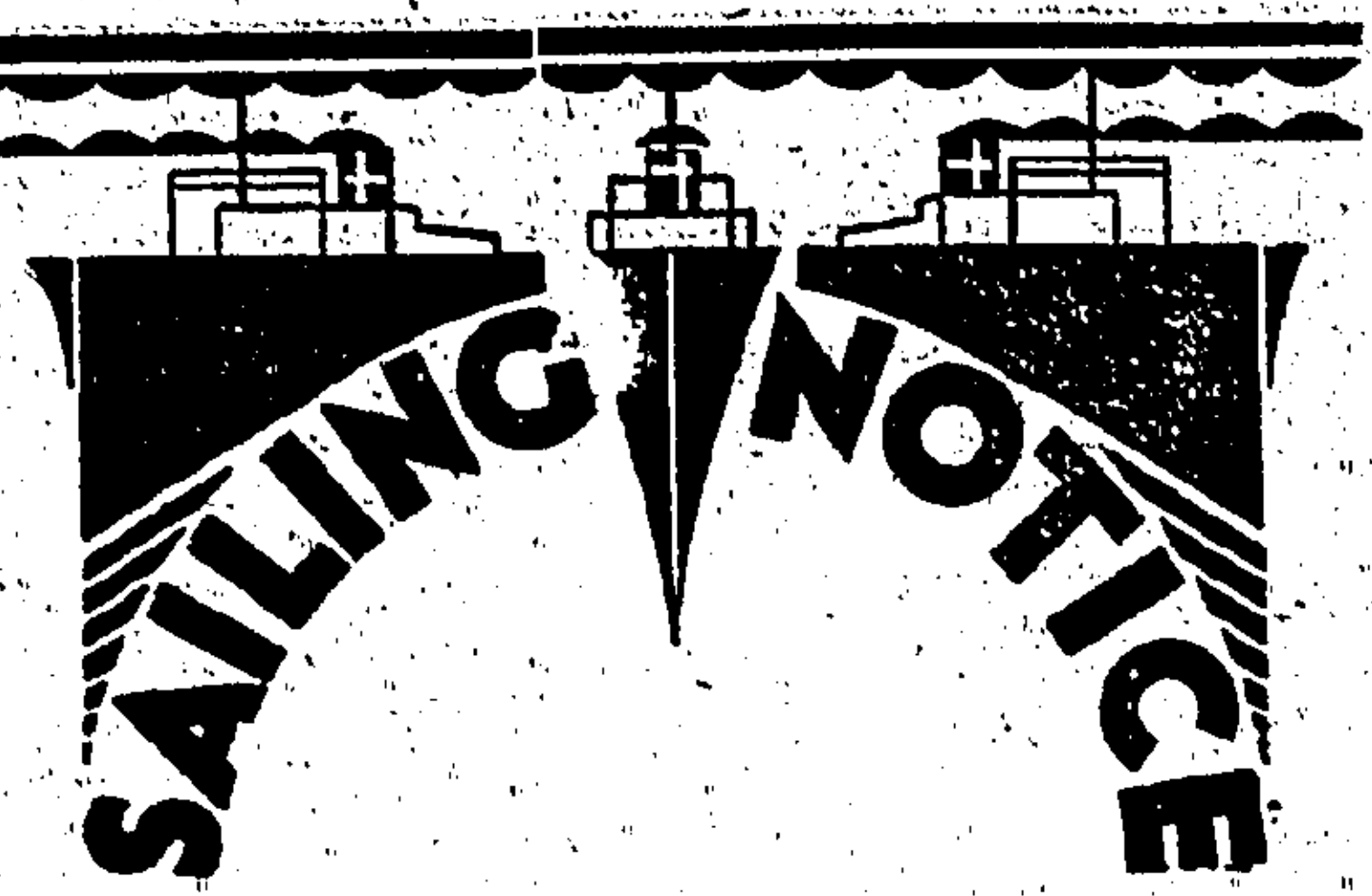
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INDIAN TACTICS CONDEMNED.

LORD IRWIN ON DOCTRINE OF COERCION.

LOOKING AHEAD.

London, July 9. The Secretary of State for India, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, in the House of Commons to-day, referred all members who desired to ask questions regarding the forthcoming Round Table Conference on Indian affairs to a statement made to-day by Lord Irwin on behalf of His Majesty's Government to the Indian Legislature in Simla, an impression of which Mr. Wedgwood Benn circulated to the House.

The Viceroy, in his review, dealt with the campaign of civil disobedience which had now been in progress for three months. He described the movement as a deliberate attempt to coerce established authority by mass action which must be regarded as unconstitutional and dangerously subversive. "After all," said Lord Irwin, "it is not a very dangerous doctrine to preach to the people of India that it is patriotic and lawful to refuse to obey the laws or to pay taxes."

Earlier in his review, Lord Irwin recalled that when he took office as Viceroy it was clear that his principal duty was to devote all his energies to the maintenance of the progress of the country and contentment within the orbit of the British Commonwealth. It was also evident that, looking ahead, it was hardly to be expected this India, justly sensitive of her position and growing every year more conscious of national feeling, should, of her own free will, desire to be a partner in a political society such as the British Empire upon terms which implied the permanent security of her status.

It was for this reason, and with object of removing avoidable misunderstanding on this matter, that His Majesty's Government last year authorised him to declare that in their view the attainment of Dominion Status was a natural completion of constitutional growth.—British Wireless.

Hopeful Response.

Simla, July 10. There has been an important response to Lord Irwin's speech at a meeting held under the chairmanship of Sir Phiroze Sethna, president of the Liberal Federation. The meeting issued a statement signed by leaders of several political parties all of whom are members of the Legislature expressing relief at the Viceroy's announcement in view of the unpopular Indian reception accorded to the Simon Report.

The statement urges India to participate in the Round Table Conference and also urges the repeal of emergency measures and the granting of an amnesty for political prisoners. It further appeals to the Congress Party to abandon civil disobedience and take the present opportunity to make a conciliatory demand on Britain.—Reuter.

CIGARETTE TRAGEDY.

MOTHER BURNS HER BABY TO DEATH.

"I should not be doing my duty if I did not censure the mother, as the life of her child was thrown away by an act of sheer carelessness," said the coroner at an inquest at Brailsford, near Derby, on the five-months-old daughter of Harold Walker, an estate labourer, of Brailsford.

Mrs. Walker said she took the child out in a perambulator, and when about to call at the farm snuffed out her cigarette, putting the stump in the foot of the perambulator to finish later. She left the perambulator with the baby asleep some distance from the house. Frederick Yates, who was working in the fields said that seeing smoke he thought the farm buildings were on fire. He rushed to the spot and found the perambulator burning fiercely. He was unable to save the child.

A police constable said that a burned box of matches and several partly smoked cigarettes were found in the perambulator. A verdict of death from suffocation was returned.

TYPHOON NEAR PARACELS.

The Royal Observatory reports that a depression is central to the N. E. of Peking. A typhoon has formed near the Paracels. Its direction of motion is uncertain. Hongkong is not threatened at present. The local forecast is:—East winds, fresh; fair to showery.

FIGHTING NEAR TSINANFU.

FOREIGN CONSULAR PROTESTS.

NATIONALISTS INTEND BIG ATTACK ON CITY.

REBEL RESISTANCE.

Shanghai, July 9.

The foreign consular authorities in Tsinanfu conferred yesterday and decided to lodge a strong protest with the Shansi and Nationalist Commander urging both sides to cease fighting along the Tsinanfu-Kiaochow Railway on the ground that hostilities have affected the railway traffic and trade in Tsinanfu.

It is understood that the many foreign and Japanese residents are perturbed by the continued fighting along the Tsinanfu-Kiaochow Line, fearing a big Nationalist counter-attack on Tsinanfu.

Yenchow Assailed.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, the Nanking Generalissimo, has returned from Kweichow to Hanchow on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, in view of the appearance of some Kuominchun forces around Yenchow.

The Nationalist high officers at Hanchow attributed the presence of the enemy at Yenchow to a Kuominchun plot to engage the services of bandits near Yenchow with the intention of creating disturbances in the Nanking rear.

However, it is understood that severe fighting has broken out near Yenchow between the Shansi and Nationalist troops, the former being amalgamated with and assisted by local riff-raff.

Nationalist Strategy.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's sudden return to Hanchow is said to be part of the Nationalist strategy to abandon some ground along the Lung-Hai Railway and to concentrate the best of the Nationalist Divisions, which will be under the personal direction of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, in an attack against Tsinanfu.

Peking telegrams state that Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, Commander-in-Chief of the Shansi forces, left Taiyuanfu yesterday for Tsinanfu. The Shansi Commander is desirous of holding Tsinanfu at all costs, despite the Nationalist threat to attack the city from along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and the Tsinanfu-Kiaochow Railway.

Kuominchun Finance.

While the Nationalist troops are shortening their defence along the Lung-Hai Railway it is not anticipated that any spectacular advance will be made by the Kuominchun forces in view of the fact that they are fighting under great hardships owing to lack of funds.

Marshal Feng Yu-shiang has returned to Chengchow, on the Lung-Hai Railway, and has demanded a big loan from the salt merchants in Shensi, Kansu and Honan for the maintenance of the war. The demand has caused great resentment and the salt merchants have temporarily suspended business, with the result that salt cargoes sent to Shensi are affected.

The Nationalist Division under General Kam Han-ting, formerly stationed on the Kwantung-Fukien, which revolted recently, has arrived at Pukow after a long march through Central China covering many hundreds of miles. It will be amalgamated with the Nationalist forces to take part in the war.

General Kam Han-ting will be leaving for the front in one or two days.

Nanking Claims.

Concerning the fighting on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, official Nanking reports claim that the Nationalist troops are still holding Taitan, Taining and Yenchow and are waging battles against the advancing Shansi forces which are fighting under great risk on account of the activities of strong squadrons of Nationalist aeroplanes. The planes have succeeded time and again in bombing the Shansi insurgents.

The Nationalists estimate that 15,000 Shansi troops are engaged in the attack against Taitan with a much stronger force assailing Yenchow, which is only 120 miles from the Nationalist Headquarters, Hanchow.

Mr. Alexander Leash, a waiter of the Railway Tavern, Battersea, was assaulted and robbed when on his way back from the bank after obtaining £47 for his employer. He was found stunned on the floor of a lavatory in Northcote-road, his face being covered with pepper, and there being a bruise on his forehead. It was found that he had been robbed of over £27.

PROBLEM OF FIVE VAGRANTS.

REPATRIATION AT EXPENSE OF GOVERNMENT.

SENTENCE SERVED.

The presence of five Filipino vagrants in the Colony, fresh from serving a term of a month's hard labour for stowing away and stealing a passage from Manila on an American ship, is in the nature of a problem to the local authorities. It is indicated that at their own expense, the Government will have to find a passage for these undesirable back to their place of origin.

The matter came before Mr. Grantham at the Central Police Court this morning, when Raphael Manjures (20), Pedro Salgado, (20), Sixto Domingo (18), Ignacio Sayd (20), were charged as vagrants without visible means of subsistence. They stated they desired to return to the Philippines, but were without the means for doing so.

Detective Sergeant Whant stated that the prisoners had served a month's term for stowing away, and were then allowed to live outside in the hope of their being able to get a ship.

That hope did not materialise, and it was then found necessary to take them again into custody. It was impossible, said Sergeant Whant, to do anything for them now, as having prosecuted through the Police, responsibility in the matter ceased on the part of the steamship company on whose ship the prisoners stowed away and arrived here.

Detective Sergeant Whant said the Police would now have to ask the Government to repatriate the men. He applied for the committal of the men to the House of Detention while arrangements were being made.

An order for committal was made by the Magistrate.

POSED AS BRAVEST MAN ALIVE.

TEN FICTITIOUS DECORATIONS OF BOGUS V.C.

A bogus V.C. who also wrongfully assumed the D.S.O. and M.C. decorations was fined £5 and £6 costs at Birmingham.

An amazing course of conduct was disclosed. The defendant, Geoffrey Herman Garratt (30), of Harborne, was formerly president of the Cradley branch of the British Legion. From time to time reports were published of his supposed exploits, and the prosecution declared that he must have secured this publicity himself.

Mr. Pugh, on behalf of the Public Prosecutor, read extracts according to which Garratt had won 10 or more medals. Except that he was entitled to the India service medal these decorations were fictitious.

He had been described as a shy hero and as the bravest man alive.

He became a cadet at 17 and went to India where in 1919 he obtained a commission. In 1924 there were eight charges of embezzlement against him and he was dismissed the Service by court-martial.

The Discovery.

Recently a circular, addressed from Great Charles-street, Birmingham, which he issued to V.C. holders, asking for their moral support of a patent in metal photography came under notice. It bore the words "Our slogan: Work not Charity, and there appeared the sub heading:

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Garratt (said Mr. Pugh) caused to be published an extract purporting to be from the India Army Gazette, which announced that he had been awarded the V.C. for saving a wounded native officer under fire. There had also appeared glowing accounts of three fictitious acts which had obtained for him the Albert Medal.

No Money Involved.

Detective-Inspector Richardson said there had been no fraud regarding money and the metal photography concern was genuine. He thought Garratt's action was due to sheer vanity.

Mr. Finnermore, defending, said that Garratt was married last year. His wife, who discovered the truth only a week or two ago, would stand by him in making a new start abroad.

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